

**AMERICAN TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS,  
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A FIRSTENERGY COMPANY**

**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE**

**GREENFIELD-LAKEVIEW 138 kV TRANSMISSION  
LINE RECONDUCTOR PROJECT**

**OPSB CASE NO.: 21-1178-EL-BNR**

**December 10, 2021**

**American Transmission Systems, Incorporated  
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**CONSTRUCTION NOTICE  
GREENFIELD-LAKEVIEW 138 kV TRANSMISSION LINE  
RECONDUCTOR PROJECT**

The following information is being provided in accordance with the procedures in the Ohio Administrative Code (“OAC”) Chapter 4906-6 for the application and review of Accelerated Certificate Applications. Based upon the requirements found in Appendix A to OAC Rule 4906-1-01, this Project qualifies for submittal to the Ohio Power Siting Board (“OPSB”) as a Construction Notice application.

**4906-6-05: ACCELERATED APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

**4906-6-05: Name and Reference Number**

<u>Name of Project:</u>	Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line Reconductor Project (“Project”) (3053).
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**4906-6-05 (B)(1): Brief Description of the Project**

In this Project, American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (“ATSI”) proposes to reconductor two sections of the existing Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line. The first section of transmission line reconductoring begins at Lakeview Substation and continues approximately 1.2 miles south to a point where the transmission line turns to the east. As part of reconductoring this section, ATSI will replace, like-for-like, seven (7) wood pole H-frame structures (Str. 1452 through Str. 1458); the replacement poles will remain similarly-positioned relative to the existing transmission line.<sup>1</sup>

The second section to be reconducted runs east-west and is approximately 620 feet (0.1 mile) in length. This section begins two (2) structures immediately west of Greenfield Substation and extends into Greenfield Substation. In addition to reconductoring the two

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<sup>1</sup> The pole replacements do not require approval from the Board and are explained herein solely for informational purposes.



(2) spans of transmission line reconductoring, ATSI will replace, like-for-like, Str. 1365 in the same general location.

The Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line is a total of 14.3-miles long. The recondored sections (as proposed in the Project) represent approximately 9% of the entire transmission line and are situated at the substation ends. The remaining 91% is currently in a six-wire configuration which provides greater capacity. Conversely, the sections to be recondored are currently at a lower capacity, which limits the overall capacity of the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line and causes the planning criteria violations explained in this Application relative to “need” (4906-6-05(B)(2)).

The general location of the Project is shown in Exhibit 1, a partial copy of the United States Geologic Survey Quad Map. Exhibit 2 is a copy of ESRI aerial imagery of the Project area. The general Project layout is included as Exhibit 3. The first section of the Project (1.2 miles in length running north-south) is located in the City of Port Clinton and Portage Township, Ottawa County; the second section of the Project (620 feet in length running east-west) is located in Perkins Township, Erie County.

**4906-6-05 (B)(1): Construction Notice Requirement**

The Project meets the requirements for a Construction Notice application because the Project is within the types of projects defined by Item (2)(a) of the Application Requirement Matrix for Electric Power Transmission Lines, Appendix A of OAC Rule 4906-1-01. This item states:

*(2) Adding new circuits on existing structures designed for multiple circuit use, replacing conductors on existing structures with larger or bundled conductors, adding structures to an existing line or replacing structures with a different type of structure, for a distance of:*

*(a) two miles or less*



The proposed Project is within the requirements of Item (2)(a) as it involves replacing transmission line conductors with larger conductors for a distance of less than two miles.

**4906-6-05 (B)(2): Need For the Project**

The proposed Project is necessary to complete the mandatory PJM RTEP baseline project, identification number b3034 to resolve NERC, PJM, and FE planning criteria violations identified by PJM. The PJM-selected solution for the baseline violation is to reductor the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line and to upgrade the terminal equipment at Lakeview Substation and Greenfield Substation. Completion of the PJM baseline project is mandatory for ATSI as a transmission owner within territory served by PJM; the Project will also enhance the reliability, resiliency, efficiency, and operational flexibility of the transmission system in the Project area. Construction of the Project will directly improve electric service reliability for the Cleveland area (a major load center) and provide additional capacity for economic development and load growth in the area.

The Project consists of three components of planned upgrades necessary to achieve the system improvements identified in the PJM baseline project. The three components are:

1. At Lakeview Substation, Greenfield exit, replace 795 ACSR substation conductors with 795 ACSS conductor.
2. At Greenfield Substation, Lakeview exit, replace 795 ACSR line drop and 1000 Cu & 795 ACSR substation conductors with 795 ACSS conductor; upgrade relay to standard relay panel.
3. For the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Line, reductor the existing 795 ACSR conductor (approximately 1.2 miles on the Lakeview end and the last two spans on the Greenfield end) with 795 ACSS conductor.

Implementation of these three upgrades is required to fully address the system reinforcements identified in the PJM baseline project needed to address the reliability criteria violation.



The Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line is one of the major lines facilitating transfer of power to the Cleveland area (a major load center) from the more generation-rich area of western Ohio. PJM identified a thermal criteria violation on the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line in the 2018 RTEP 2023 N-1-1 Thermal and Voltage study for a common tower failure tripping the Davis Besse-X1-027A and the Beaver-Hayes 345 kV transmission lines. Under current configurations, this contingency will result in a thermal violation of the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line above the PJM and FE transmission emergency maximum thermal operating limit.

To correct the reliability criteria violation, ATSI proposed reconductoring portions of the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line and upgrading the limiting substation elements at Greenfield Substation and Lakeview Substation; ATSI submitted the same as a baseline upgrade project to the PJM Regional Transmission Expansion Plan (RTEP) at the Sub-Regional RTEP Committee meeting on August 31, 2018. The project solution will improve operational flexibility, efficiency, and increase the 138 kV system thermal capacity above the loading that occurs under the Planning Event P7 (common tower failure tripping Davis Besse-X1-027A and the Beaver-Hayes 345 kV Lines) contingency condition. PJM evaluated the proposed project and did not identify any additional FirstEnergy or PJM Planning Criteria violations caused by the Project. As such, there is no additional need for other network system upgrades as a result of the Project. The PJM presentation slide is included as Exhibit 4 and includes additional details of the project drivers.

**4906-6-05 (B)(3): Location of the Project Relative to Existing or Proposed Lines**

The location of the Project relative to existing or proposed lines is shown in the ATSI Transmission Network Map, included as part of the confidential portion of the FirstEnergy Corp. 2021 Long-Term Forecast Report. This map was submitted to the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (“PUCO”) in Case No. 21-0504-EL-FOR under Rule 4901:5-5:04 (C)(2)(b) of the Ohio Administrative Code. The map is incorporated by reference only. This map shows ATSI’s 345 kV and 138 kV transmission lines and transmission substations including the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line. The Project is



included in ATSI's LTFR filed in 2021 on page 52. The general location and layout of the Project is shown in Exhibits 1 through 3.

**4906-6-05 (B)(4): Alternatives Considered**

An alternative upgrade is to construct a new 138 kV transmission line from Lakeview Substation to Greenfield Substation. The proposed Project is best suited for the proposed reinforcement because the Project will occur entirely on existing right-of-way and requires no new land acquisition, minimizing environmental impact and project cost.

**4906-6-05 (B)(5): Public Information Program**

ATSI's manager of External Affairs will advise local officials of features and the status of the proposed Project as necessary. ATSI has also established a project website: [https://www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission\\_projects/ohio.html](https://www.firstenergycorp.com/about/transmission_projects/ohio.html). ATSI will maintain the Project website and will continue to work with property owners concerning the proposed Project. Finally, during all phases of this Project, ATSI will maintain the transmission projects hotline at 1-888-311-4737 or via email at: [transmissionprojects@firstenergycorp.com](mailto:transmissionprojects@firstenergycorp.com), where the public may ask questions or leave comments on the Project for ATSI.

**4906-6-05 (B)(6): Construction Schedule**

The construction schedule for this Project is expected to begin March 2022 and completed by June 2022.

**4906-6-05 (B)(7): Area Map**

Exhibit 1 depicts the general location of the Project. This Exhibit provides a partial copy of the United States Geologic Survey Quad Map. Exhibit 2 is a copy of ESRI aerial imagery of the Project area.



**4906-6-05 (B)(8): List of Properties**

The Project is located within existing right-of-way. No new easements will be required for the completion of this Project. Table 1 contains a list of properties impacted by the Project.

**Table 1. List of Affected Property Owners**

Parcel Number	Easement Status
0200724909594000	Existing
0202111834852000	Existing
0202111834848000	Existing
0200732009838000	Existing
0200722309559000	Existing
200727409834000	Existing
210680822564000	Existing
0200456821466000	Existing
0211907531232000	Existing
0211907531237000	Existing
32-90020.000	Existing
33-90010.000	Existing
32-90019.000	Existing
0201907531242000	Existing
0211907531238000	Existing

**4906-6-05 (B)(9): TECHNICAL FEATURES OF THE PROJECT****4906-6-05 (B)(9)(a): Operating Characteristics**

The construction will have the following characteristics:

Voltage: 138 kV  
Existing Conductor: 795 kcmil 26/7 ACSR  
New Conductor: 795 kcmil 26/7 ACSS  
Existing Structure: Wood-pole H-Frame  
New Structure: Wood-pole H-Frame  
Static Wire: 7#8 Alumoweld & SFSJ-J-6641 OPGW  
Insulators: Porcelain Bells for both deadend and suspension structures  
ROW Width: 100 feet



**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(b): Calculated Electric and Magnetic Field**

The closest occupied residence or institution is approximately 80 feet from the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line (in a shared corridor with the Lakeview-Ottawa 138 kV Transmission Line); therefore, Electric and Magnetic Field (“EMF”) calculations are required by this code provision.

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(b)(i): Calculated Electric and Magnetic Fields Strength Levels**

Table 2 itemizes the line loading of the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line and the Lakeview-Ottawa 138 kV Transmission Line. The normal line loading represents FirstEnergy’s peak system load for the transmission line. The emergency line loading represents the maximum line loading under contingency operation. The winter rating is based on the continuous maximum conductor rating (“MCR”) of the circuits for the single conductors per phase and an ambient temperature of zero degrees centigrade (32 °F), wind speed of 1.3 miles per hour, and a circuit design operating temperature of 100 °C (212 °F).

**Table 2: Transmission Line Loading**

<b>Line Name</b>	<b>Normal Loading Amps</b>	<b>Emergency Loading Amps</b>	<b>Winter Rating Amps</b>
Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line	1640	1972	1845
Lakeview-Ottawa 138kV Transmission Line	57.6	57.75	1560

Table 3 provides an approximation of the magnetic and electric fields strengths of the Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line and Lakeview-Ottawa 138kV Transmission Line calculated in a 200-foot right-of-way. The calculations provide an approximation of the electric and magnetic field levels based on specific assumptions utilizing the EPRI EMF Workstation 2015 program software. This program software assumes the input transmission line configuration is located on flat terrain. Also, a balanced, three-phase circuit loading is assumed for the transmission circuit. The model utilizes the normal, emergency, and winter rating of the transmission line.



**Table 3: EMF Calculations for Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line and Lakeview-Ottawa 138kV Transmission Line**

<b>Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line and Lakeview-Ottawa 138kV Transmission Line– 200ft ROW</b>		<b>Electric Field kV/m</b>	<b>Magnetic Field mG</b>
<b>Normal Loading</b>	Under Lowest Conductors	1.641	158.62
	At Right-of-Way Edges	0.20 / 0.50	8.52 / 70.85
<b>Emergency Loading</b>	Under Lowest Conductors	1.641	190.96
	At Right-of-Way Edges	0.20 / 0.50	10.83 / 86.2
<b>Winter Rating</b>	Under Lowest Conductors	1.641	191.24
	At Right-of-Way Edges	0.20 / 0.50	72.1 / 98.5

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(b)(ii): Alternative Design Consideration for Electric and Magnetic Fields**

As this is an existing transmission line with no structural changes and only conductor replacement, there were no alternative design considerations for electric and magnetic fields.

**4906-6-05 (B)(9)(c): Estimated Cost**

The estimated capital cost for the proposed Project is approximately \$2,696,000.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10): SOCIAL AND ECOLOGICAL IMPACTS**

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(a): Land Uses**

The Project is located in the City of Port Clinton and Portage Township in Ottawa County and in Perkins Township in Erie County. The main land use around the Project area is zoned as residential and agricultural. The Project is located within existing right-of-way, so no changes or impacts to the current land use are anticipated.

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(b): Agricultural Land**

There are three agricultural properties within the Project area, totaling 159.6-acres. A list of these properties including acreage and agricultural district information is given in Table



**Table 4: Agricultural Lands within the Project’s Disturbance Area**

<b>Parcel Number</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Agricultural District</b>	<b>Agricultural District Expiration</b>
0202111834852000	97.9	Yes	Renews in January, 2025
0202111834848000	22.2	Yes	Renews in January, 2025
0200732009838000	39.5	No	Expired in February 2021

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(c): Archaeological or Cultural Resources**

As part of the investigation, a search of Ohio Historic Preservation Office (“OHPO”) online database was conducted to identify the existence of any significant archeological or cultural resource sites within 0.5 mile of the Project Area. A map of the results of the search is shown in Exhibit 5.

The OHPO database includes all Ohio listings on the National Register of Historic Places (“NRHP”), including districts, sites, building, structures, and objects that are significant in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture. The results of the search indicate that no listed NRHP sites and no NRHP eligible sites were identified within 0.5 mile of the Project potential disturbance area.

The OHPO database also includes listing of the Ohio Archaeological Inventory (“OAI”), the Ohio Historic Inventory (“OHI”), previous cultural resource surveys, and the Ohio Genealogical Society (“OGS”) cemetery inventory. There are no OAI resources within 0.5-mile of the Project location. There is one (1) OHI structure is listed within 0.5 mile of the Project Area and is listed in Table 5. Two (2) previous cultural resource surveys were conducted within 0.5 mile of the Project location and are identified in Table 6. One (1) OGS Cemetery was identified within 0.5-mile of the Project location and is listed in Table 7. No impacts to any culturally significant resources are expected.



**Table 5. List of OHI Listed Structural Resources**

OHI Number	Present Name	Historic Use	County	Municipality
ERI0100103	N/A	Single Dwelling	Erie	Sandusky

**Table 6. List of Previous Cultural & Historic Resource Survey**

Year	Name	County
2002	Phase I Archaeology Survey of the Beaver-Greenfield Transmission Line Proposed Corridor and Laydown Area in Erie and Lorain Counties, Ohio	Erie
2004	Construction of a Stealth Monopole/Flagpole at 1025 E 5th St, Port Clinton, Ottawa County, Ohio (OH DT Port Clinton 28093)	Ottawa

**Table 7. List of OGS Cemeteries**

OGS ID	Name	County	Location
3042	Calvary Catholic	Sandusky, City of	Just north of intersection of Sanford Street. Just east of US 6 (Tiffin Avenue)

Because this Project involves reconductoring work within existing transmission line right-of-way, no new impacts are anticipated. No historical or cultural resources fall within the right-of-way or the disturbance area of the Project; therefore, the Project will not have adverse effects to any cultural or archaeological resources.

#### **4906-6-05 (B)(10)(d): Local, State, and Federal Requirements**

Table 8 shows the list of governmental agency requirements for the Project and ATSI's compliance status for each as of this filing.

**Table 8. List of Government Agency Requirements to be Secured Prior to Construction**

Agency	Permit Requirement	Permit Status
Ohio EPA	NPDES General Stormwater Permit	Paperwork in progress



**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(e): Endangered, Threatened, and Rare Species Investigation**

As part of the investigation, ATSI hired AECOM to conduct the necessary environmental surveys, as well as prepare applications for the required environmental permits. AECOM submitted a request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (“ODNR”) Office of Real Estate to conduct an Environmental Review. As part of the Environmental Review, the ODNR Office of Real Estate conducted a search of the ODNR Division of Wildlife’s Natural Heritage Database to research the presence of any endangered, threatened, or rare species within one (1) mile of the Project area. The ODNR’s Office of Real Estate’s response on November 24, 2020 indicated that records of thirty (30) state and/or federally listed endangered and/or threatened species are located within a one-mile radius of the Project Area. A copy of ODNR’s Office of Real Estate’s response is included as Exhibit 6.

As part of the investigation, AECOM also submitted a request to the US Fish and Wildlife Service (“USFWS”) for an Ecological Review to research the presence of any endangered, threatened, or rare species within one (1) mile of the Project area. A copy of USFWS’s Ecological Review response is included as Exhibit 7. The USFWS’s response, dated October 20, 2020, indicated that there are no federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges, or designated critical habitat within the vicinity of the project area. The response indicated that the Project is within the range of the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*). A list of all endangered, threatened, and rare species, as identified by ODNR and USFWS, as potentially being within the vicinity of the Project is provided in Table 9.

**Table 9. List of Endangered, Threatened, and Rare Species.**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Federal Listed Status	State Listed Status	Affected Habitat
Indiana bat	<i>Myotis sodalis</i>	Endangered	Endangered	Trees & Forest
Northern long-eared bat	<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>	Threatened	Endangered	Trees & Forest



Little brown bat	<i>Myotis lucifugus</i>	N/A	Endangered	Trees & Forest
Tricolored bat	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	N/A	Endangered	Trees & Forest
Eastern pondmussel	<i>Ligumia nasuta</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Black sandshell	<i>Ligumia recta</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Fawnsfoot	<i>Truncilla donaciformis</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Threehorn wartyback	<i>Obliquaria reflexa</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Lake sturgeon	<i>Acipenser fulvescens</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Cisco	<i>Coregonus artedii</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Longnose sucker	<i>Catostomus catostomus</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Pugnose minnow	<i>Opsopoeodus emiliae</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Spotted gar	<i>Lepisosteus oculatus</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
Western banded killifish	<i>Fundulus diaphanous menona</i>	N/A	Endangered	Streams/Rivers
American eel	<i>Anguilla rostrate</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Channel darter	<i>Percina copelandi</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Greater redhorse	<i>Moxostoma valenciennesi</i>	N/A	Threatened	Streams/Rivers
Eastern massasauga	<i>Sistrurus catenatus</i>	Threatened	Endangered	Wetlands & Prairies
Blanding's turtle	<i>Emydoidea blandingii</i>	N/A	Threatened	Marshes, Ponds, Lakes & Streams
American bittern	<i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i>	N/A	Endangered	Wetlands



Black-crowned night-heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	N/A	Threatened	Wetlands & Ponds
Black tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	N/A	Endangered	Marshes
Cattle egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	N/A	Endangered	Pastures & Fields
Common tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	N/A	Endangered	Beaches
King rail	<i>Rallus elegans</i>	N/A	Endangered	Marshes
Least bittern	<i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>	N/A	Threatened	Wetlands
Northern harrier	<i>Circus hudsonis</i>	N/A	Endangered	Marshes & Grasslands
Sandhill crane	<i>Grus canadensis</i>	N/A	Threatened	Wetlands & Agricultural land
Trumpeter swan	<i>Cygnus buccinator</i>	N/A	Threatened	Wetlands
Upland sandpiper	<i>Bartramia longicauda</i>	N/A	Endangered	Dry Grasslands

The response from ODNR and USFWS indicated that the Project is within the range of the federally- and state-endangered Indiana Bat, the federally-threatened and state-endangered Northern long-eared bat, the state-endangered Little brown bat, and the state-endangered Tricolored bat. Minimal tree clearing will be associated with the proposed Project and will take place after October 1 and before April 1 to avoid impacts to these species as recommended by the USFWS and ODNR. The ODNR also recommended that a desktop habitat assessment be conducted to determine if there are potential hibernaculum(a) present within the Project area. An assessment was conducted by AECOM (Exhibit 8) which concluded that no potential hibernacula are present within the Project area. No impacts to these species are anticipated. The ODNR provided a letter of concurrence to this statement on November 22, 2021 (Exhibit 9).



The response from ODNR indicated that the Project is within the range of the state-endangered Eastern pondmussel, the state-threatened Black sandshell, Fawnsfoot, and Threehorn wartyback. No in-water work is planned for this Project, so impacts to these mussel species are not expected.

The response from ODNR indicated that the Project is within the range of the state-endangered Lake sturgeon, Cisco, Longnose sucker, Pugnose Minnow, Spotted gar, and Western banded killifish, as well as the state-threatened American eel, Channel darter, and Greater redhorse. There is no in-water work planned for this Project, so impacts to these fish species are not expected.

The response from ODNR indicated that the Project is within the range of the state-endangered and federally-threatened Eastern massasauga. According to the ODNR, due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species. (*See Exhibit 6*)

The response from ODNR indicated that the Project is within the range of the state-threatened Blanding's turtle. According to the ODNR, due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species. (*See Exhibit 6*)

The response from ODNR indicated that the state-endangered American bittern, Black tern, Cattle egret, Common tern, Northern harrier, Upland sandpiper, and King rail, as well as the state threatened Black-crowned night-heron, Least bittern, Sandhill crane, and Trumpeter swan are within range of the Project. These species can typically be found in grasslands, marshes, and wetlands. These species tend to nest from roughly April through August in habitat similar to that which is potentially within the Project area. ATSI contracted AECOM to conduct a habitat assessment of the Project area to confirm if potential habitat is present for the bird species listed in the ODNR response. It was determined that potential habitat is present within the Project area for the Black-crowned night heron, the Least bittern, and the Upland sandpiper. This assessment is also included



in Exhibit 8. As per the ODNR's recommendation, disturbance to these areas will be limited to outside the nesting season for each of these species. ODNR also provided concurrence of this avoidance practice on November 22, 2021 (Exhibit 9).

**4906-6-05 (B)(10)(f): Areas of Ecological Concern**

The ODNR Office of Real Estate researched the presence of any unique ecological sites, geological features, animal assemblages, scenic rivers, state wildlife areas, nature preserves, parks or forest, national wildlife refuges, or other protected natural areas within one (1) mile of the Project area. The ODNR's Office of Real Estate's response on November 24, 2020 indicated that the Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve – City of Port Clinton is located within one (1) mile of the identified Project area. The Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve is approximately 0.7-mile away from the Project, and no direct or indirect impacts to the preserve are anticipated.

AECOM conducted a wetland and stream assessment of the Project area. As part of the investigation, AECOM conducted a wetland and waterways delineation for the Project in Ottawa & Erie Counties, Ohio on January 14-17, 2020, and on October 7, 2020. The Project Study Area is approximately 26.18-acres in size. The Project Study Area included the corridor for the Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line (as shared with the Lakeview-Ottawa 138 kV Transmission Line) as well as a 100-foot buffer. Land use surrounding the Project Study Area was observed to be primarily agricultural. Three (3) perennial streams (Designated as LO-01, LO-02, & LO-03) and fifteen (15) wetlands (Designated as LG-01, LO-01 thru LO-13, and LO-40) were identified within the Project Study Area. The delineated wetlands include ten (10) Palustrine Emergent (PEM), three (3) Palustrine Scrub/Shrub (PSS), one (1) PEM/PSS, and one (1) PEM/PSS/Palustrine Unconsolidated Bottom. See Exhibit 10 for further details and descriptions of delineated features located within the Project Study Area. Due to location of the transmission structures associated with this Project, construction matting will be used as temporary access to perform the necessary work. The Project will not result in the deposition of



permanent fill material in any of the delineated wetlands. The perennial stream located within the Project Area will be avoided during construction.

Several flood plains are located throughout the Project Area based on a review of online FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Mapping. The Project will not result in any permanent elevation changes within any of the mapped floodplain areas thus resulting in no encroachment on any regulated floodplains. Exhibit 11 depicts the location of the regulated flood plains floodplains in relation to the Project Area.

A review of the National Conservation Easement Database ([www.conservationeasement.us](http://www.conservationeasement.us)) revealed no conservation easements in the Project Area.

**4906-6-05(B)(10)(g): Other Information**

Construction and operation of the proposed Project will be in accordance with the requirements specified in the latest revision of the NESC as adopted by the PUCO and will meet all applicable safety standards established by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

No other or unusual conditions are expected that will result in significant environmental, social, health or safety impacts.

**4906-6-07: Documentation of Construction Notice Transmittal and Availability for Public Review**

This Construction Notice application is being provided concurrently to the following officials in the City of Port Clinton and Portage Township, Ottawa County, Ohio, and Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio.



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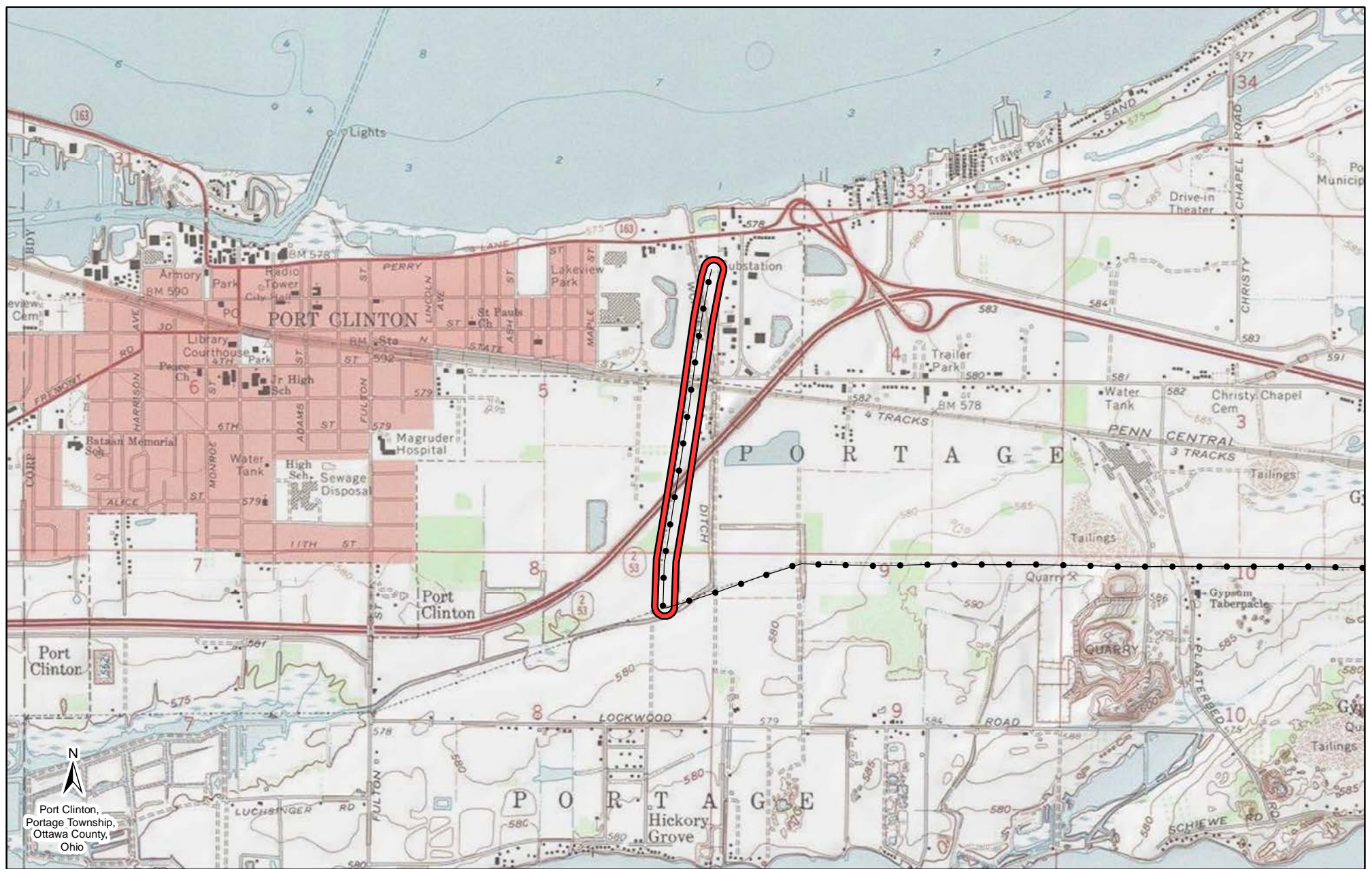
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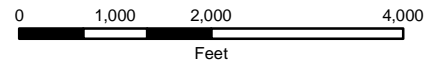
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**LEGEND:**

- Project Area
- Greenfield-Lakeview 138 kV Transmission Line



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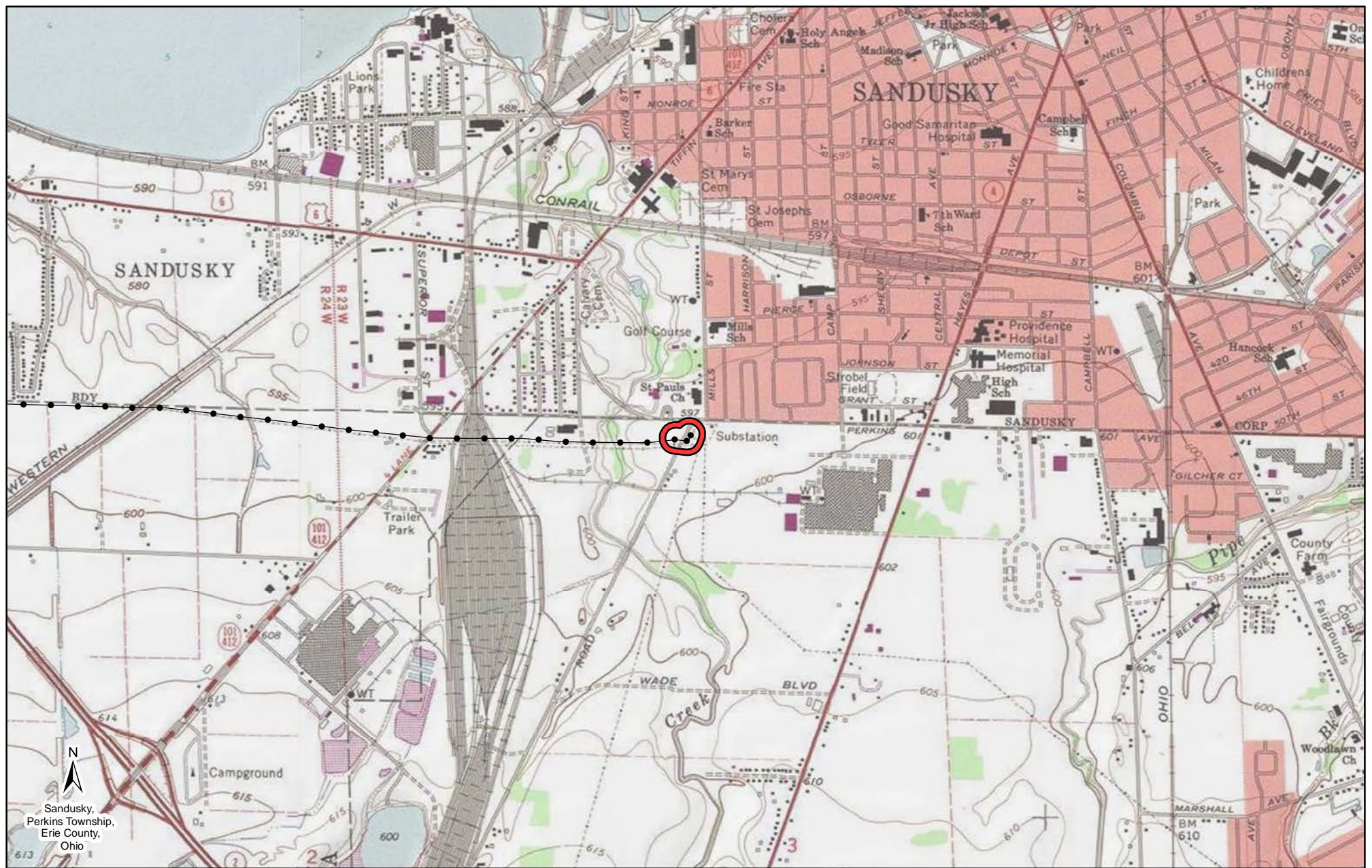


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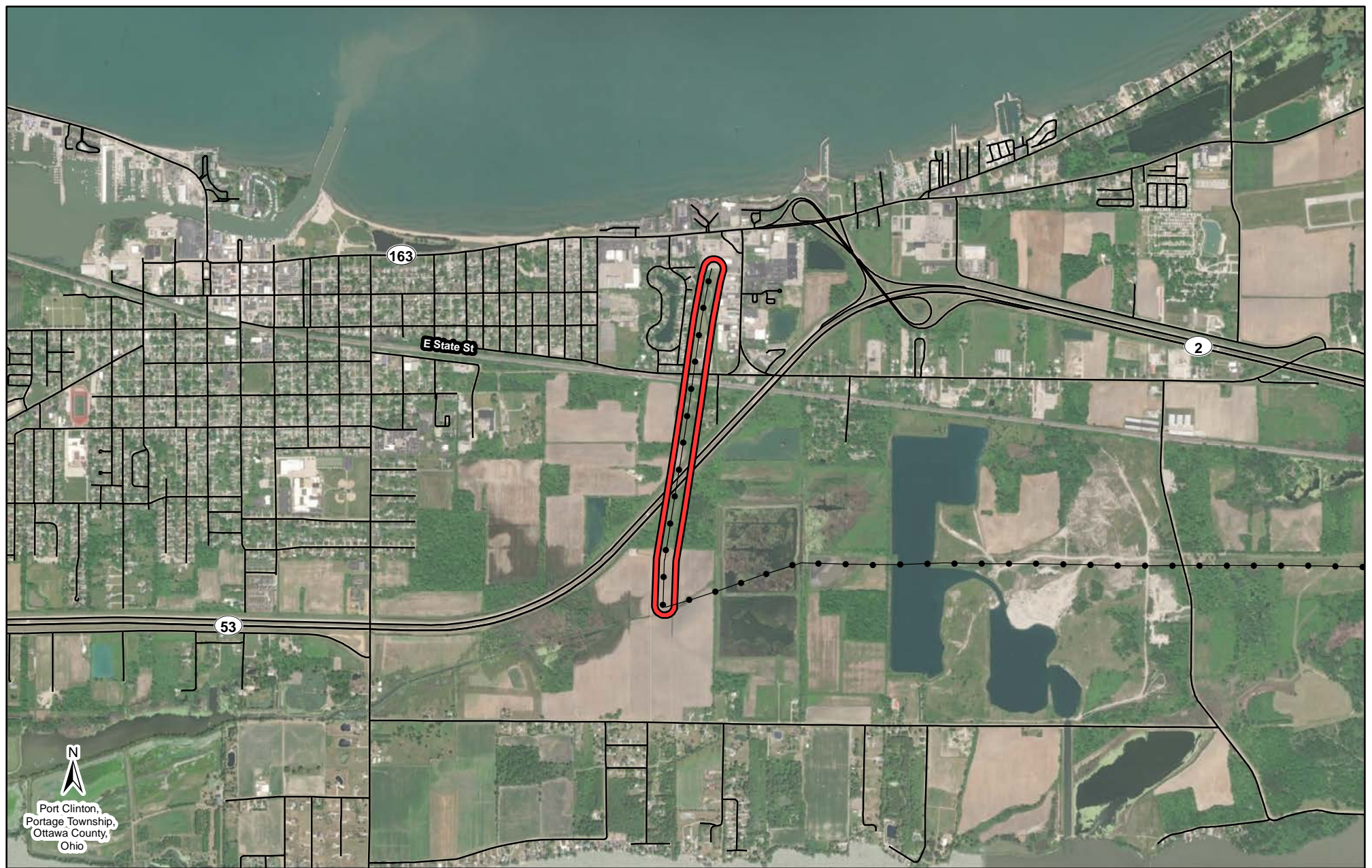


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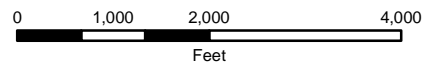
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**LEGEND:**

- Project Area
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- Roads



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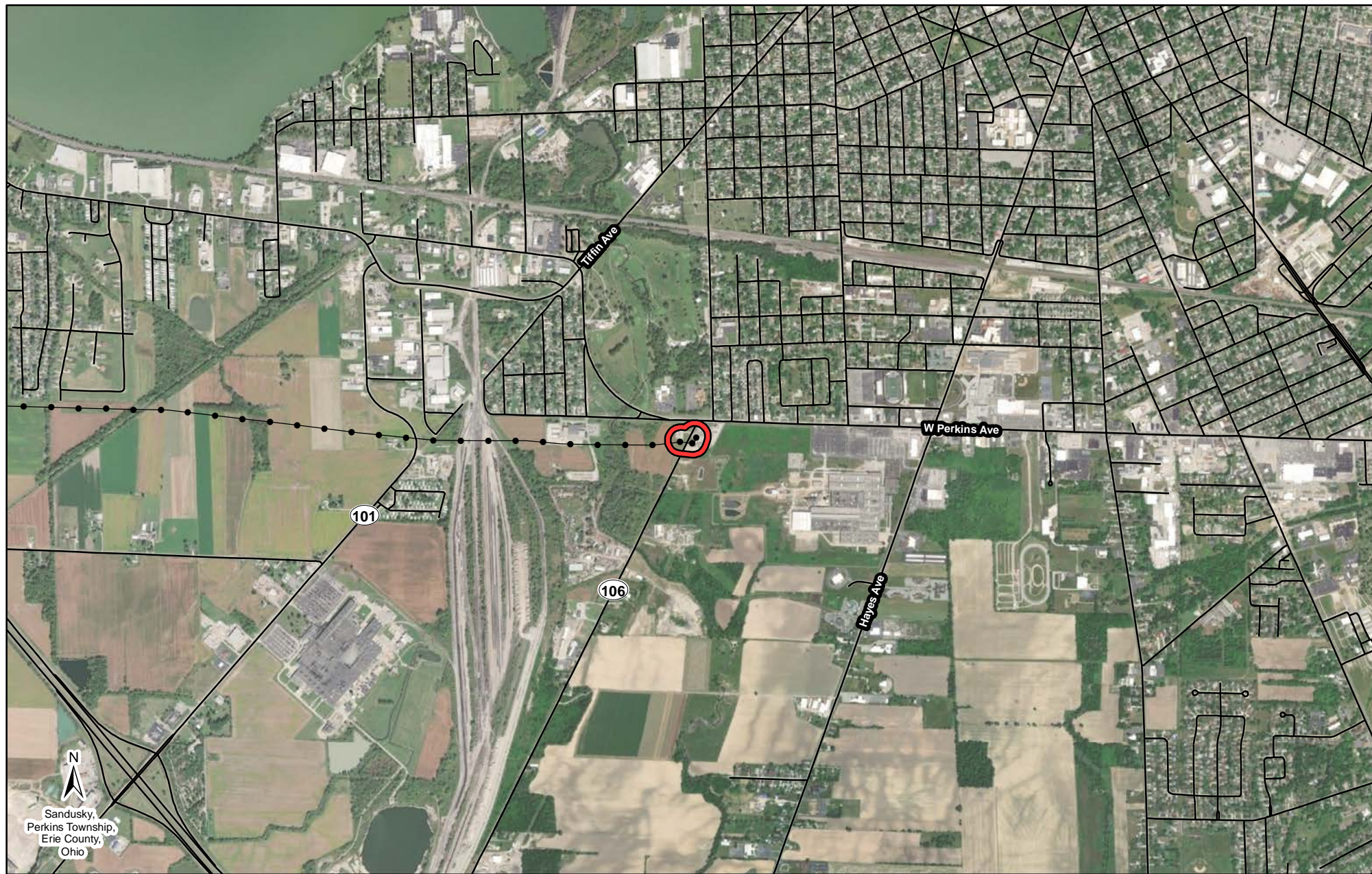


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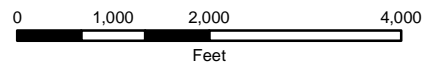
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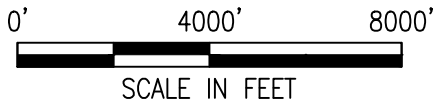
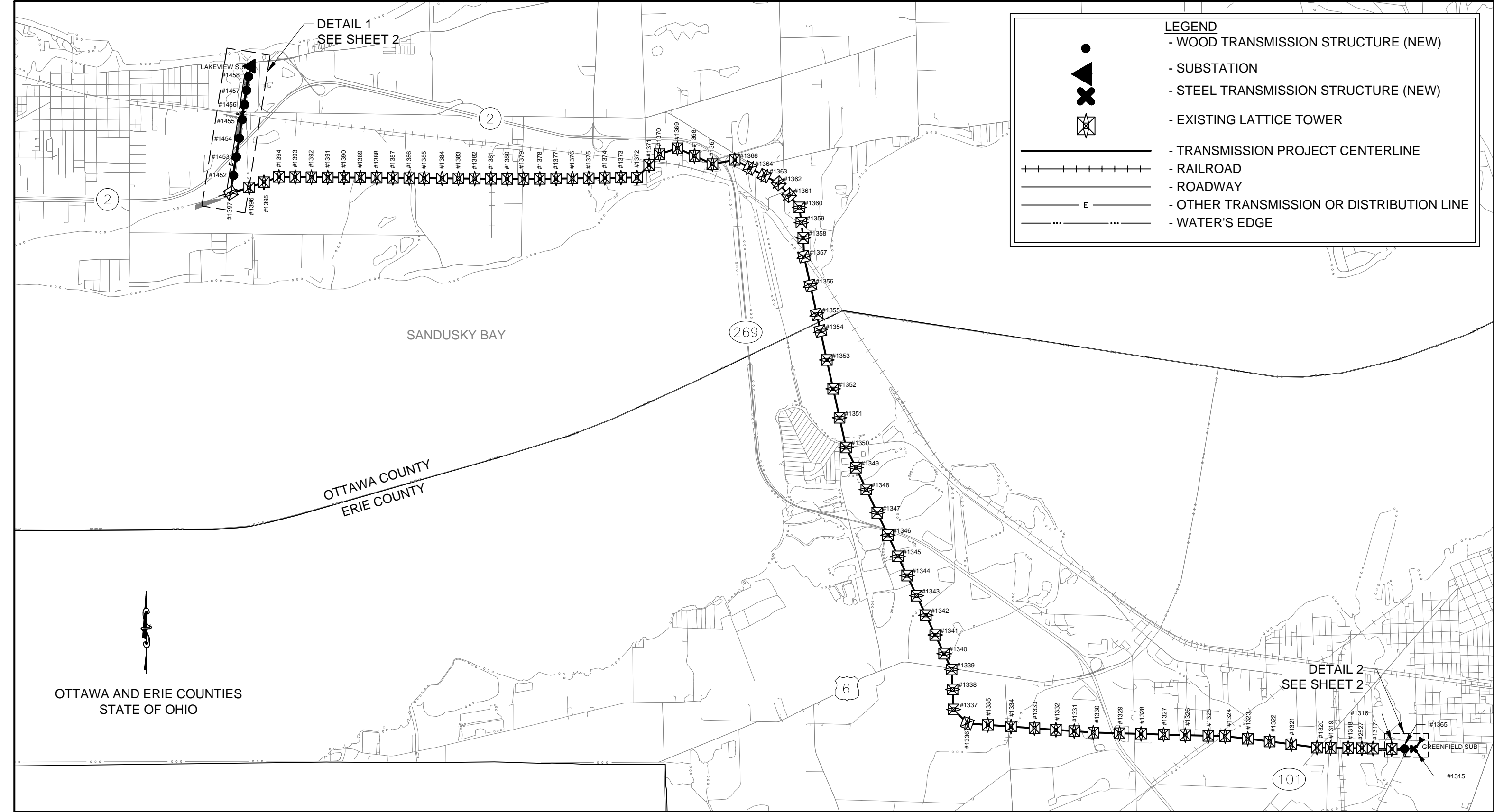
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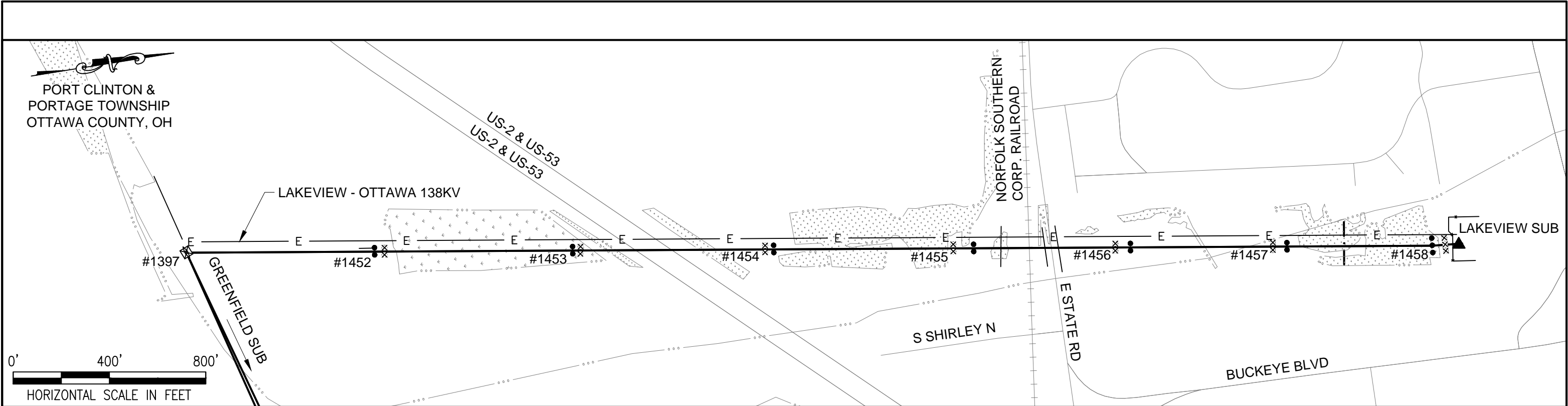
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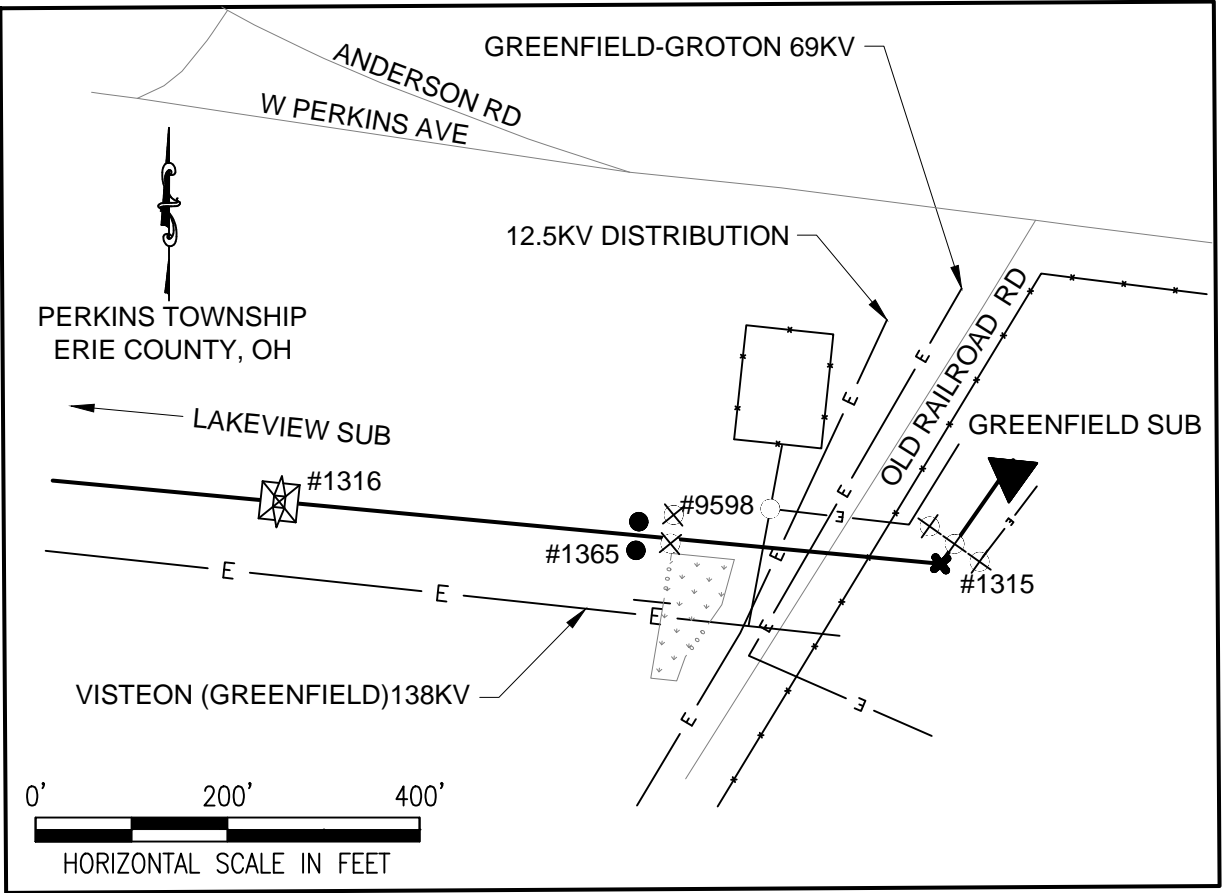
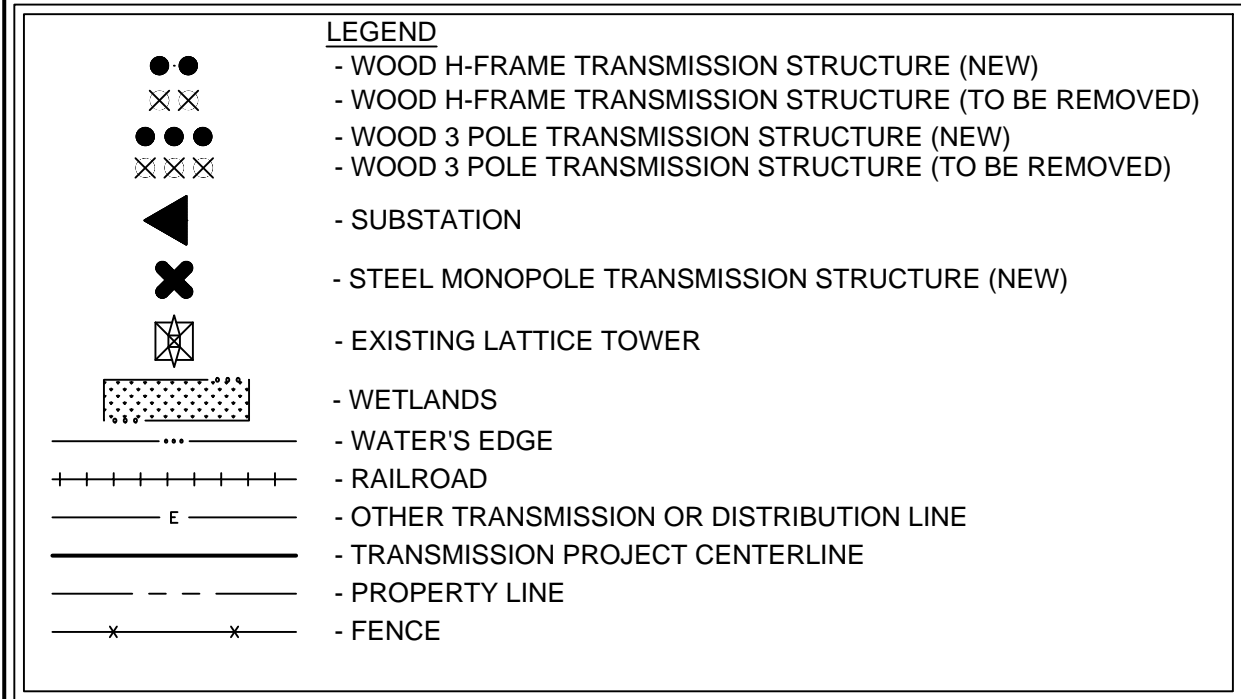
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## DETAIL 1



## DETAIL 2

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Transmission Design

GREENFIELD-LAKEVIEW  
138KV PARTIAL REBUILD

GENERAL LAYOUT  
SHEET 2 OF 2

EXHIBIT 3



# Exhibit 4



Below 200kV

## Problem Statement:

*2018 RTEP Gen Deliverability Thermal Violation Winter 2023 Case*

- For the common tower failure tripping Davis Besse – X1-027A & Beaver – Hayes 345 kV Lines, results in the thermal overload of Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV line (GD-W215).

## Potential Solution:

*Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Reconductor and Substation Upgrades*

- At Lakeview substation, Greenfield exit, replace 795 ACSR substation conductor with 795 ACSS; upgrade relays to standard relay panel.
- At Greenfield substation, Lakeview exit, replace 795 ACSR line drop and 1000 CU & 795 ACSR substation conductors with 795 ACSS; upgrade relays to standard relay panel.
- For the Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV line, reconductor the existing 795 ACSR conductor (approximately 1.2 miles at Lakeview end and last span at Greenfield end) with 795 ACSS.
  - Old rating: 315 / 361 MVA WN / WE
  - New rating: 360 / 456 MVA WN / WE

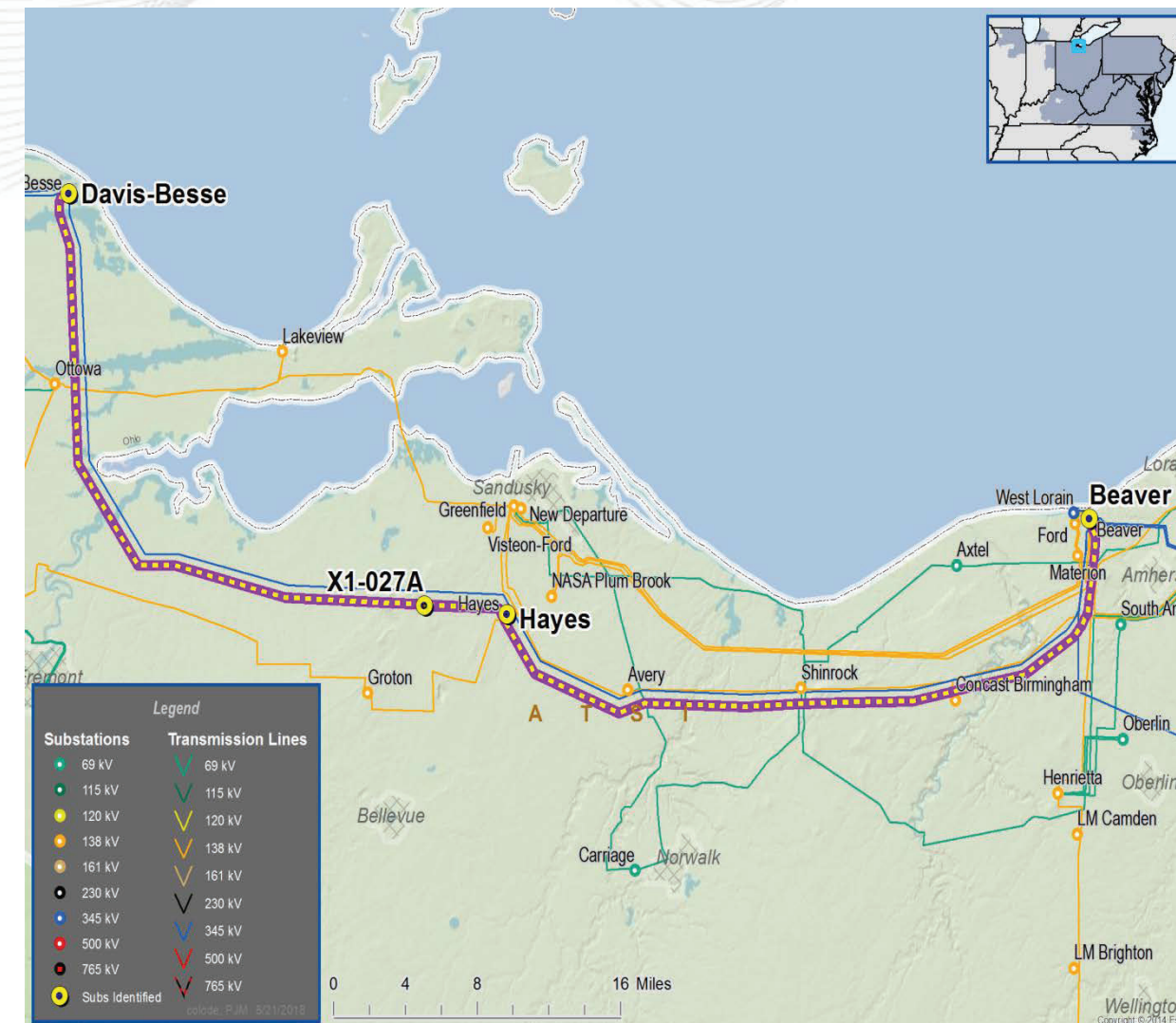
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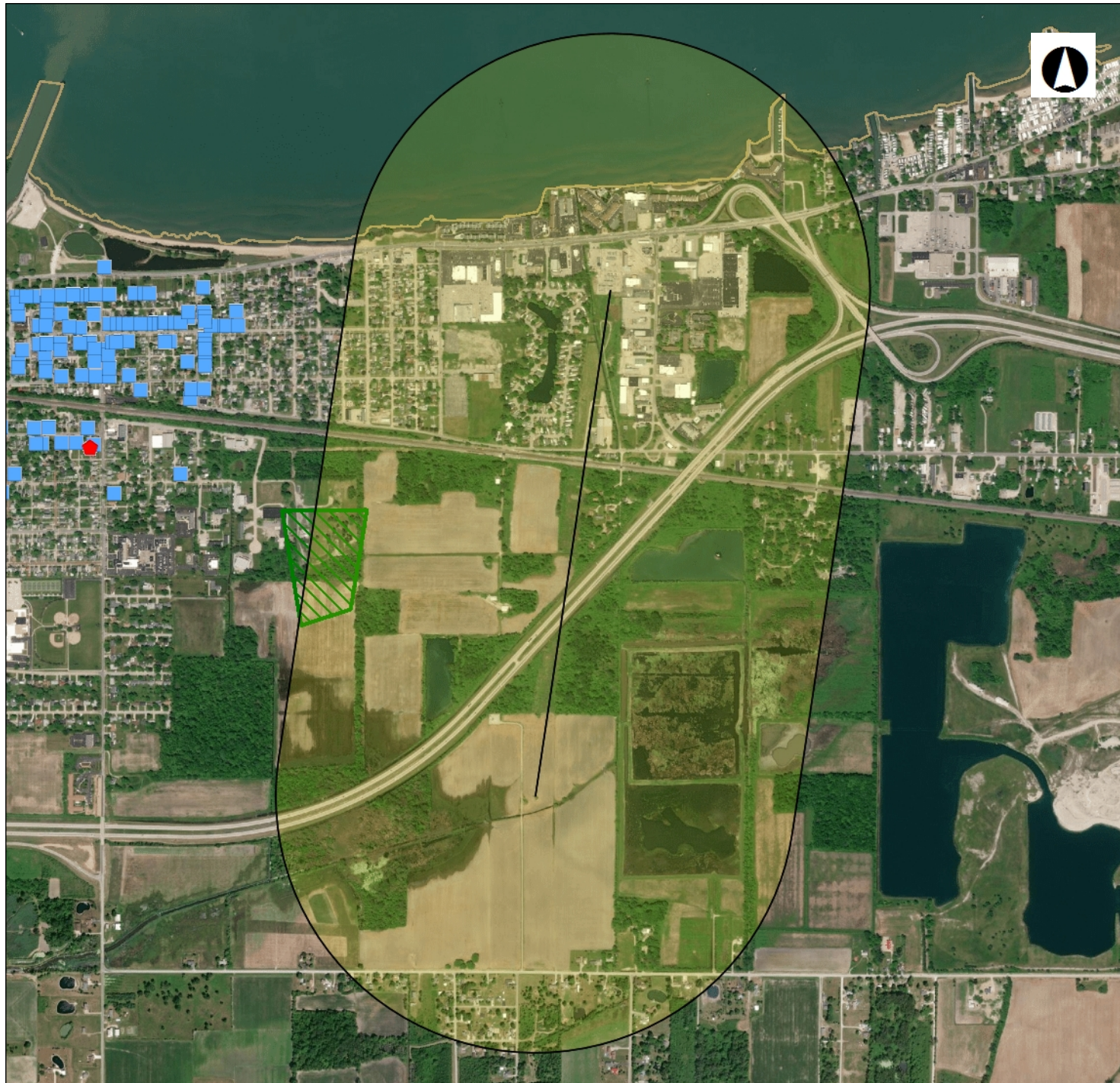
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Status: Conceptual

## ATSI Transmission Zone: Baseline Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Reconductor and Upgrades







**Legend**

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- ⊙ National Historic Landmark
- ✕ Delisted

**Determinations of Eligibility**

- ◆ DOE
- ✕ Demolished
- Historic Structures
- Historic Bridges
- Historic Tax Credit Projects
- ◆ Local Designations

**OGS Cemeteries**

- ⊕ Confident
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- ★ Dams
- UTM Zone Split
- ▨ NR Boundaries

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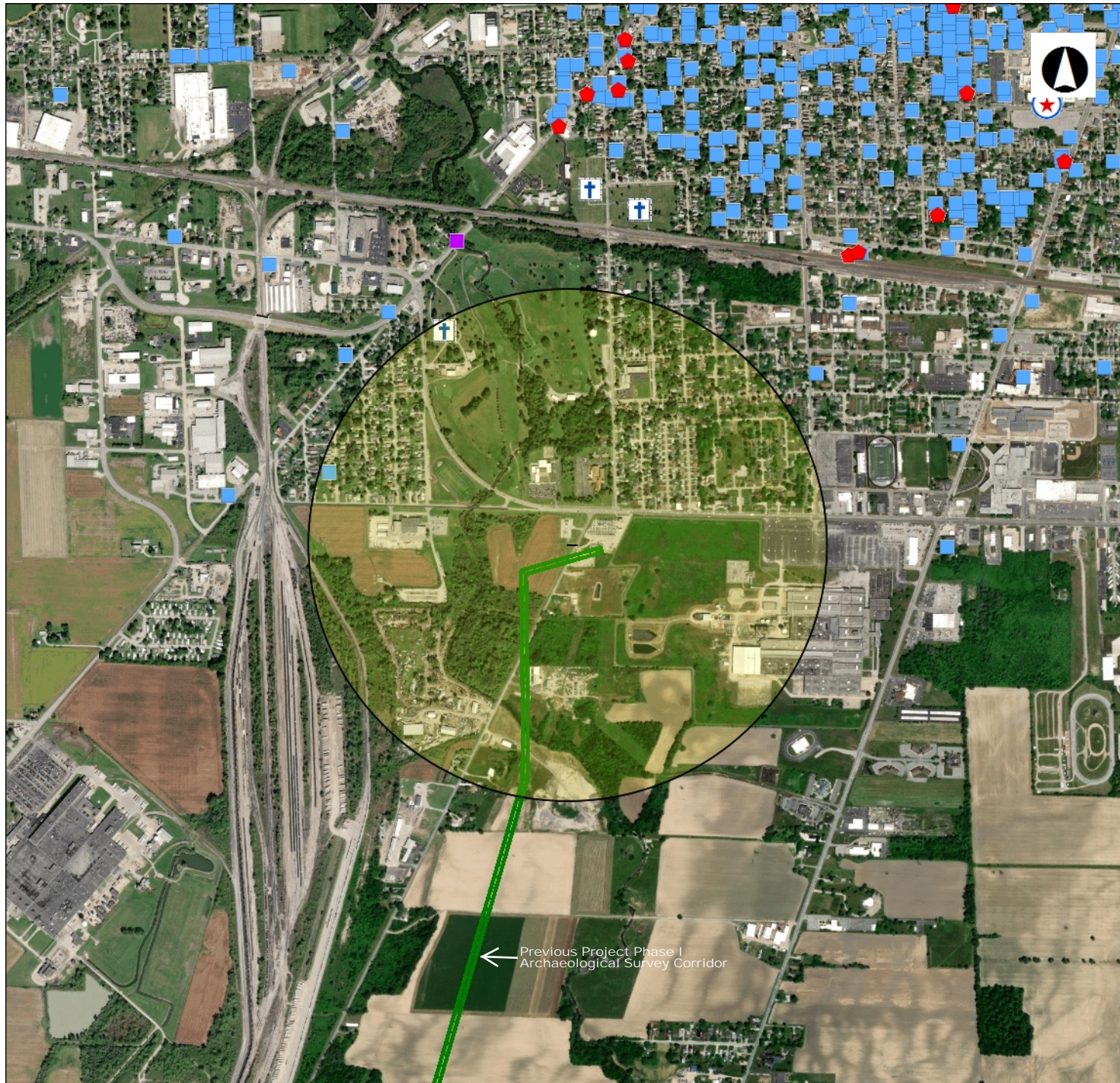
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# Ohio Department of Natural Resources

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November 24, 2020

Brian Miller  
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**Re:** 20-945; Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project

**Project:** The Project consists of the rebuild of 1.16 miles of an existing 138kV transmission line (two disconnected segments).

**Location:** The proposed project is located in Portage and Perkins Township, Ottawa and Erie Counties, Ohio.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) has completed a review of the above referenced project. These comments were generated by an inter-disciplinary review within the Department. These comments have been prepared under the authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), the National Environmental Policy Act, the Coastal Zone Management Act, Ohio Revised Code and other applicable laws and regulations. These comments are also based on ODNR's experience as the state natural resource management agency and do not supersede or replace the regulatory authority of any local, state or federal agency nor relieve the applicant of the obligation to comply with any local, state or federal laws or regulations.

**Natural Heritage Database:** The Natural Heritage Database has the following records at or within a one-mile radius of the project area:

Schweinitz' umbrella-sedge (*Cyperus schweinitzii*), T  
Eastern pondmussel (*Ligumia nasuta*), E  
Black sandshell (*Ligumia recta*), T  
Threehorn wartyback (*Obliquaria reflexa*), T  
Round pigtoe (*Pleurobema sintoxia*), SC  
Salamander mussel (*Simpsonaias ambigua*), SC  
Fawnsfoot (*Truncilla donaciformis*), T  
Eastern foxsnake (*Pantherophis vulpinus*), SC  
Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve – City of Port Clinton

The review was performed on the project area you specified in your request as well as an additional one-mile radius. Records searched date from 1980. This information is provided to inform you of features present within your project area and vicinity.



Please note that Ohio has not been completely surveyed and we rely on receiving information from many sources. Therefore, a lack of records for any particular area is not a statement that rare species or unique features are absent from that area. Although all types of plant communities have been surveyed, we only maintain records on the highest quality areas.

Statuses are defined as: E = state endangered; T = state threatened; P = state potentially threatened; SC = state species of concern; SI = state special interest; A = species recently added to state inventory, status not yet determined; X = presumed extirpated in Ohio; FE = federal endangered, FT = federal threatened, FSC = federal species of concern, FC = federal candidate species.

**Fish and Wildlife:** The Division of Wildlife (DOW) has the following comments.

The DOW recommends that impacts to streams, wetlands and other water resources be avoided and minimized to the fullest extent possible, and that best management practices be utilized to minimize erosion and sedimentation.

The Ottawa County portion of the project is within the vicinity of records for the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a state endangered and federally threatened species, and the little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*), a state endangered species. The Erie County portion of the project is within the vicinity of records for the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), a state endangered and federally endangered species. Because presence of state endangered bat species has been established in the area, summer tree cutting is not recommended, and additional summer surveys would not constitute presence/absence in the area. However, limited summer tree cutting inside this buffer may be acceptable after further consultation with DOW (contact Sarah Stankavich, [sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us)).

In addition, the entire state of Ohio is within the range of the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), a state endangered and federally endangered species, the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a state endangered and federally threatened species, the little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*), a state endangered species, and the tricolored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*), a state endangered species. During the spring and summer (April 1 through September 30), these bat species predominately roost in trees behind loose, exfoliating bark, in crevices and cavities, or in the leaves. However, these species are also dependent on the forest structure surrounding roost trees. The DOW recommends tree cutting only occur from October 1 through March 31, conserving trees with loose, shaggy bark and/or crevices, holes, or cavities, as well as trees with DBH  $\geq 20$  if possible.

The DOW also recommends that a desktop habitat assessment, followed by a field assessment if needed, is conducted to determine if there are potential hibernaculum(a) present within the project area. Information about how to conduct habitat assessments can be found in the current USFWS “Range-wide Indiana Bat Survey Guidelines.” If a habitat assessment finds that potential hibernacula are present within 0.25 miles of the project area, please send this information to Sarah Stankavich, [sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us) for project recommendations. If a potential or known hibernaculum is found, the DOW recommends a 0.25-mile tree cutting and subsurface disturbance buffer around the hibernaculum entrance, however, limited summer or winter tree cutting may be acceptable after consultation with DOW. If no tree cutting or subsurface impacts to a hibernaculum are proposed, this project is not likely to impact these species.

The project is within the range of the following listed mussel species:



State Endangered

eastern pondmussel (*Ligumia nasuta*)

State Threatened

black sandshell (*Ligumia recta*)

fawnsfoot (*Truncilla donaciformis*)

threehorn wartyback (*Obliquaria reflexa*)

Due to the location, and that there is no in-water work proposed in a perennial stream of sufficient size, this project is not likely to impact these species.

The project is within the range of the following listed fish species:

State Endangered

lake sturgeon (*Acipenser fulvescens*)

cisco (*Coregonus artedii*)

longnose sucker (*Catostomus catostomus*)

pugnose minnow (*Opsopoeodus emiliae*)

spotted gar (*Lepisosteus oculatus*)

western banded killifish (*Fundulus diaphanus menona*)

State Threatened

American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*)

channel darter (*Percina copelandi*)

greater redhorse (*Moxostoma valenciennesi*)

The DOW recommends no in-water work in perennial streams from April 15 through June 30 to reduce impacts to indigenous aquatic species and their habitat. If no in-water work is proposed in a perennial stream, this project is not likely to impact these or other aquatic species.

The project is within the range of the eastern massasauga (*Sistrurus catenatus*), a state endangered and a federally threatened snake species. The eastern massasauga uses a range of habitats including wet prairies, fens, and other wetlands, as well as drier upland habitat. Due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*), a state threatened species. This species inhabits marshes, ponds, lakes, streams, wet meadows, and swampy forests. Although essentially aquatic, the Blanding's turtle will travel over land as it moves from one wetland to the next. Due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the American bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*), a state endangered bird. Nesting bitterns prefer large undisturbed wetlands that have scattered small pools amongst dense vegetation. They occasionally occupy bogs, large wet meadows, and dense shrubby swamps. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.



The project is within the range of the black-crowned night-heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*), a state-threatened bird. Night-herons are so named because they are nocturnal, conducting most of their foraging in the evening hours or at night, and roost in trees near wetlands and waterbodies during the day. Night herons are migratory and are typically found in Ohio from April 1 through December 1 but can be found in more urbanized areas with reliable food sources year-round. Black-crowned night-herons primarily forage in wetlands and other shallow aquatic habitats, and roost in trees nearby. These night-herons nest in small trees, saplings, shrubs, or sometimes on the ground, near bodies of water and wetlands. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the black tern (*Chlidonias niger*), a state endangered bird. The black tern prefers large, undisturbed inland marshes with fairly dense vegetation and pockets of open water. They nest in various kinds of marsh vegetation but cattail marshes are generally favored. Nests are built on top of muskrat houses or on top of floating vegetation. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat from April 1 to June 30 to reduce impacts to this species. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the cattle egret (*Bubulcus ibis*), a state endangered bird. Cattle egrets are not strictly wetland birds. They often forage in dry pastures and fields. Egrets nest in colonies and will build a nest out of sticks and other materials wherever it can be supported. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 15 to August 15. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the common tern (*Sterna hirundo*), a state endangered bird. The preferred nesting sites of common terns are natural or man-made islands that are free of mammalian predators and human disturbance. They will also utilize mainland beaches and dredge disposal areas but only when islands are unavailable. The common tern nests in colonies. Their eggs are laid in a grass-lined depression in the sand. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to August 1. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the king rail (*Rallus elegans*), a state endangered bird. Nests for this species are deep bowls constructed out of grass and usually hidden very well in marsh vegetation. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to August 1. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the least bittern (*Ixobrychus exilis*), a state threatened bird. This secretive marsh species prefers dense emergent wetlands with thick stands of cattails, sedges, sawgrass or other semiaquatic vegetation interspersed with woody vegetation and open water. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the northern harrier (*Circus hudsonis*), a state endangered bird. This is a common migrant and winter species. Nesters are much rarer, although they occasionally breed in large marshes and grasslands. Harriers often nest in loose colonies. The female builds a



nest out of sticks on the ground, often on top of a mound. Harriers hunt over grasslands. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 15 to August 1. If this habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the sandhill crane (*Grus canadensis*), a state threatened species. Sandhill cranes are primarily a wetland-dependent species. On their wintering grounds, they will utilize agricultural fields; however, they roost in shallow, standing water or moist bottomlands. On breeding grounds they require a rather large tract of wet meadow, shallow marsh, or bog for nesting. If grassland, prairie, or wetland habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 1 to September 1. If this habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to have an impact on this species.

The project is within the range of the trumpeter swan (*Cygnus buccinator*), a state threatened bird. Trumpeter swans prefer large marshes and lakes ranging in size from 40 to 150 acres. They like shallow wetlands one to three feet deep with a diverse mix of plenty of emergent and submergent vegetation and open water. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 15 to June 15. If this habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to have an impact on this species.

The project is within the range of the upland sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*), a state endangered bird. Nesting upland sandpipers utilize dry grasslands including native grasslands, seeded grasslands, grazed and ungrazed pasture, hayfields, and grasslands established through the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 15 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

Due to the potential of impacts to federally listed species, as well as to state listed species, we recommend that this project be coordinated with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

**Water Resources:** The Division of Water Resources has the following comment.

The local floodplain administrator should be contacted concerning the possible need for any floodplain permits or approvals for this project. Your local floodplain administrator contact information can be found at the website below.

[http://water.ohiodnr.gov/portals/soilwater/pdf/floodplain/Floodplain%20Manager%20Community%20Contact%20List\\_8\\_16.pdf](http://water.ohiodnr.gov/portals/soilwater/pdf/floodplain/Floodplain%20Manager%20Community%20Contact%20List_8_16.pdf)

ODNR appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments. Please contact Sarah Tebbe, Environmental Specialist, at (614) 265-6397 or [Sarah.Tebbe@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:Sarah.Tebbe@dnr.state.oh.us) if you have questions about these comments or need additional information.

Mike Pettegrew  
Environmental Services Administrator (Acting)



# Exhibit 7

**From:** [Miller, Brian](#)  
**To:** [Ruggiero, Augustine](#)  
**Cc:** [Smith, Michelle \(Cincinnati\)](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] FW: First Energy, Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Line Rebuild Ottawa and Erie County Ohio  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 9:42:49 AM  
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Auggie,

Please find below for a copy of the USFWS response for the Lakeview-Greenfield Project. The only species of concern for this Project is the Indiana bat and northern long eared bat. Some good news, no hits were identified regarding the orchid or bald eagle.

Thanks,

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**To:** Miller, Brian <brian.miller1@aecom.com>  
**Cc:** Smith, Michelle (Cincinnati) <michelle.smith@aecom.com>; Auggie Ruggiero <aruggiero@firstenergycorp.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] First Energy, Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Line Rebuild Ottawa and Erie County Ohio



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TAILS# 03E15000-2021-TA-0119

Dear Mr. Miller,

We have received your recent correspondence regarding potential impacts to federally listed species in the vicinity of the above referenced project. There are no federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges or designated critical habitat within the vicinity of the project area. We recommend that proposed activities minimize water quality impacts, including fill in streams and wetlands. Best management practices should be utilized to minimize erosion and sedimentation.

**FEDERALLY LISTED, PROPOSED, AND CANDIDATE SPECIES COMMENTS:** Due to the project type, size, location, and the proposed implementation of seasonal tree cutting (clearing of trees  $\geq 3$  inches diameter at breast height between October 1 and March 31) to avoid impacts to the federally listed endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), we do not anticipate adverse effects to any federally endangered, threatened, proposed or candidate species. Should the project design change, or during the term of this action, additional information on listed or proposed species or their critical habitat become available, or if new information reveals effects of the action that were not previously considered, consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) should be initiated to assess any potential impacts.

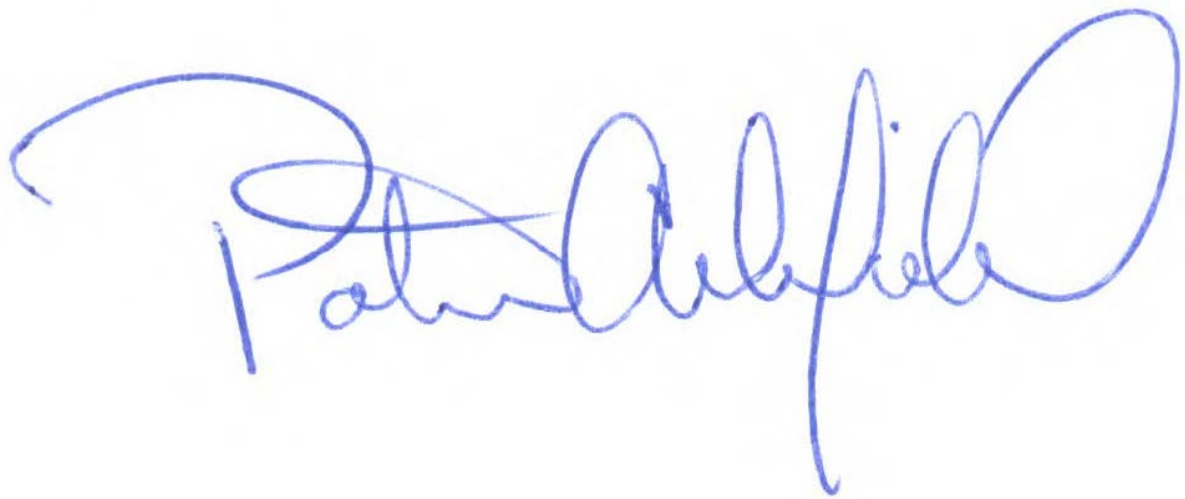
If there is a federal nexus for the project (e.g., federal funding provided, federal permits required to construct), no tree clearing should occur on any portion of the project area until consultation under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), between the Service and the federal action agency, is completed. We recommend that the federal action agency submit a determination of effects to this office, relative to the Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat, for our review and concurrence.

These comments have been prepared under the authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), ESA, and are consistent with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Service's Mitigation Policy. This letter provides technical assistance only and does not serve as a completed section 7 consultation document. We recommend that the project be coordinated with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources due to the potential for the project to affect state listed species and/or state lands. Contact Mike Pettegrew, Acting Environmental Services Administrator, at (614) 265-6387 or at [mike.pettegrew@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:mike.pettegrew@dnr.state.oh.us).

If you have questions, or if we can be of further assistance in this matter, please contact our office at (614) 416-8993 or [ohio@fws.gov](mailto:ohio@fws.gov).

Sincerely,



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## **Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project**

### **BIRD HABITAT ASSESSMENT AND DESKTOP ASSESSMENT FOR WINTER BAT HABITAT REPORT**

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## **1.0 Introduction**

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI), a FirstEnergy company, is planning to rebuild the Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (Project) in Ottawa and Erie Counties, Ohio. The Project includes the rebuild of approximately 1.6 miles of the existing Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (two disconnected segments), in Portage Township, Ottawa County and Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio. The first segment is a one mile rebuild of the existing transmission line starting at the Lakeview Substation and terminating at Structure 1397 in Portage Township, Ottawa County, Ohio. The second segment is 0.16-mile rebuild of the existing transmission line that originates at the Greenfield Substation and terminates at Structure 1316 in Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio. The Project is located on Port Clinton, Vickery, and Sandusky, Ohio U.S. Geologic Survey 7.5" topographic quadrangle (**Appendix A, Figure 1 – Agency Overview Map**).

The Project is designed to be predominately within the existing maintained transmission line right-of-way (ROW) located mostly within active agricultural fields. Ancillary areas such as pull sites, turn arounds, lay-down yards, and access roads have not been fully identified at this time. However, ATSI plans to utilize existing access roads and travel lanes within the existing maintained ROW, to the extent practicable. The Project is not expected to require substantial clearing of forested habitat, although some trimming and minimal clearing for access roads, incremental ROW widening, potential reroutes, and maintenance along the existing ROW may be necessary. In order to mitigate for potential effects to state and federal listed bat species, ATSI intends to clear trees between October 1st and March 31st to avoid impacts to the species.

Initial coordination with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) indicated federally listed Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*) as being present within the Project area and implementation of tree clearing between October 1 and March 31 would not adversely affect these listed species. Regarding the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), the ODNR indicated that the Project is within the range of seven state-listed endangered birds (American Bittern [*Botaurus lentiginosus*], Black Tern [*Chlidonias niger*], Cattle Egret [*Bubulcus ibis*], Common Tern [*Sterna hirundo*], King Rail [*Rallus elegans*], Northern Harrier [*Circus hudsonius*], Upland Sandpiper [*Bartramia longicauda*]), and four state-listed threatened birds (Black-Crowned Night-Heron [*Nycticorax nycticorax*], Least Bittern [*Ixobrychus exilis*], Sandhill Crane [*Grus canadensis*], and Trumpeter Swan [*Cygnus buccinator*]). Additionally, ODNR indicated the Project is within the range of two state endangered and federally listed bat species (northern long-eared bat and Indiana bat), and two state endangered species (Little brown bat [*Myotis lucifugus*] and Tricolored bat [*Perimyotis subflavus*]). Due to the location, type of habitat within the project area, and/or avoidance of instream work associated with the Project, the identified freshwater mussels, fish species, and reptiles listed in the ODNR response were concluded by the ODNR as not likely to be impacted by the Project and no further coordination would be warranted (**Appendix B, Agency Correspondence**).



Due to the nature of the construction work to be completed and ODNR's seasonal timing restrictions associated with the nesting ecology of the listed bird species, ATSI retained a qualified bird specialist, Sharon Farris, from AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM), to assess habitat suitability for these species within the Project limits. Additionally, ATSI plans to utilize the existing ROW and/or existing clear areas, to the extent practicable and intends to clear trees between October 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup> to mitigate potential effects to the federal and state listed bat species. The ODNR recommended that ATSI perform a desktop assessment, followed by a field assessment if needed, to determine if there are potential winter hibernacula within the Project area. Therefore, this report provides a habitat assessment for ODNR listed bird species as well as a winter hibernaculum desktop review.

## **2.0 Methods**

The methodology for the completion of the bird habitat assessment includes background information for each species considered and an assessment of the presence and/or absence of suitable habitat areas based on a literature review and field reconnaissance (Section 2.1). Qualifications of the bird specialist can be found in **Appendix C, Qualifications**. Regarding the methodology for the winter bat hibernaculum desktop review, Section 2.2 provides a summary of the methods for completion of the desktop review of known suitable habitat within ¼ mile of the Project.

### **2.1 Bird Habitat Assessment**

#### **2.1.1 Literature Review**

Prior to conducting the field portion of the habitat assessment, AECOM coordinated with the ODNR and USFWS for information regarding rare, threatened, and endangered species and their habitats within the vicinity of the Project area (Appendix C). A literature review of each species was conducted regarding their natural history and occurrence or presence as breeding birds documented within and/or adjacent to the Project area. A brief description of species habitat and nesting status in Ohio is provided in Section 3.1.

#### **2.1.2 Desktop and Field Review**

Prior to completion of a field reconnaissance, AECOM completed a desktop analysis of habitat using Google Earth aerial photography, National Land Cover Classification data, and eBird database review within the 37.05-acre Project survey area as shown on **Appendix A, Figure 1 – Agency Overview Map and Figure 2 – Bird Habitat Map** as the AECOM Survey Area. As ATSI is still in the development of the work areas, the Project survey area encompasses all potential work limits and proposed preliminary access roads that may or may not be utilized during construction.

Based on the desktop review, these target areas of habitat were identified for detailed assessment. During the field reconnaissance, AECOM assessed the ability for these habitats to support the target species by performing a pedestrian reconnaissance of the Project survey area. While the entire Project was visited,



the areas identified as potential habitat during the desktop review were given greater attention. These areas were assessed to identify if large areas of suitable habitat were available that could be used by the species in question. Where applicable, the adjacent habitats were considered when evaluating potential habitat. Additionally, AECOM took representative photographs as well as categorized each of the habitats into the following types according to vegetative community / land use:

- agricultural (soybean, hayfields, and corn fields within and outside of existing ROW);
- wetlands and/or streams;
- urban areas (roads, driveways, rail lines, and buildings);
- old fields (early-succession fields within existing ROW); and
- residential

Following identification of the potential habitat areas, AECOM approximated the boundaries of the potential habitats within and/or adjacent to the Project area for each of the bird species identified as containing habitat within the Project area. The boundaries of these potential bird habitat areas are displayed in **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat**.

## **2.2 Winter Bat Hibernaculum Desktop Review**

AECOM reviewed publicly available data to identify underground voids which could be potential hibernation sites for overwintering bats (hibernacula). Typical hibernation sites for the *Myotis* and *Perimyotis* species native to Ohio include natural karst caves/sinkholes, underground mines with exposed entrances/air vents, and other underground voids which maintain suitable temperatures, humidity, and air circulation throughout the winter months. To identify such features, AECOM reviewed the following desktop resources:

- USGS topographical maps (U.S. Geological Survey, 2019)
- Aerial photography (ESRI, 2020)
- ODNR Division of Mineral Resources and Geological Survey data for:
  - Known mining activity (ODNR, 2020b)
  - Karst geology and sinkholes (ODNR, 2020c)

AECOM reviewed the information provided by each of these resources within ¼-mile of the environmental study area for indications of likely underground voids. **Appendix A, Figure 4 – USGS Topographical Map** shows the Project and it's ¼-mile buffer on a USGS background. **Appendix A, Figure 5 – Known Mining Activity Map** depicts the Project and it's ¼-mile buffer in relation to known records of mining activity as recorded by the ODNR. **Appendix A, Figure 6 – Karst Geology and Sinkholes Map** depicts the Project and it's ¼-mile buffer with known locations of karst geology and sinkholes. Aerial photography is shown as the background in **Appendix A, Figure 5 – Known Mining Activity Map** and **Figure 6 – Karst Geology and Sinkholes Map**.



### 3.0 Results

#### 3.1 Literature Review

Coordination with ODNR indicated the project was within the range of the following birds: American Bittern, Black Tern, Cattle Egret, Common Tern, King Rail, Northern Harrier, Upland Sandpiper, Black-Crowned Night-Heron, Least Bittern, Sandhill Crane, and Trumpeter Swan (**Appendix B**). Based on correspondence from USFWS, no federally listed birds or protected habitat are located within the Project ROW. Furthermore, Bald Eagles are known to occur within proximity of the Project area and through coordination with the USFWS in 2020, the location of known nest of Bald Eagles were provided and displayed on (**Append A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat**). As shown, the known nesting areas are greater than 1,000 feet from the Project area and therefore, assessments for Bald Eagles were excluded from this review. For each of the eleven state listed species, a literature review was conducted of their natural history including suitable habitat conditions, occurrence records (eBird), breeding status in Ohio, and breeding records in Ohio.

**TABLE 1. Federal and State Listed Birds Ranges within the Project Area**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Federal Status	State Status
American Bittern	<i>Botaurus lentiginosus</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Black Tern	<i>Chlidonias niger</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Cattle Egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Common Tern	<i>Sterna hirundo</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
King Rail	<i>Rallus elegans</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Northern Harrier	<i>Circus hudsonis</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Upland Sandpiper	<i>Bartramia longicauda</i>	Not Listed	Endangered
Black-Crowned Night-Heron	<i>Nycticorax nycticorax</i>	Not Listed	Threatened
Least Bittern	<i>Ixobrychus exilis</i>	Not Listed	Threatened
Sandhill Crane	<i>Grus canadensis</i>	Not Listed	Threatened
Trumpeter Swan	<i>Cygnus buccinator</i>	Not Listed	Threatened

A brief description of each species' natural history and habitat and nesting records is provided below.

##### 3.1.1 American Bittern

The American Bittern breeds throughout the northern half of North America from New Jersey to California and northward through much of Canada (Lowther et al., 2009 and Rodewald et al., 2016). This species is less common in the southern United States but winters coastally from Virginia to Texas, into Mexico, and from coastal Washington south into Mexico (Lowther et al. 2009). Peterjohn (2001) indicates that spring migration occurs primarily in mid-April and peaks mid-May. Fall migration occurs between late August and mid-October in Ohio (Peterjohn, 2001).

American Bitterns are solitary and do not build nests in groups or colonies (Peterjohn, 2001). The decline of nesting pairs in Ohio is directly associated with loss of large (>25 acres) emergent wetlands with dense vegetation with open water pools (Rodewald et al., 2009). American Bitterns will occasionally occupy bogs, large wet meadows, and dense shrubby swamps (ODNR 2019). The vegetation is often cattail and rarely



the other dense herbaceous vegetation near the edges of wetlands (Rodewald et al., 2016). Nests are generally built over water in standing cattails or other vegetation and associated with water 2-8 inches in depth (Lowther et al., 2009).

According to the change map for the American Bittern in the Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in Ohio (Rodewald et al., 2016), American Bitterns occurred in Ottawa County during the 1982-87 Breeding Bird survey (Atlas I) as well as the 2006-2011 Breeding Bird survey (Atlas II) and detections of this species was slightly higher in the Atlas II results. However, it was also indicated that due to the secretive nature of this species, confirmed detections of breeding birds should be viewed with caution (Rodewald et al., 2016). The American Bittern nest in Ohio from May 1 to July 31 (ODNR, 2020a).

### **3.1.2 Black Tern**

The Black Tern is a semi-colonial waterbird that nests on inland marshes, ponds, river mouths, and shores of larger lakes. Black Terns forage over open water, catching insects and small fish (Peck and James, 1983). Seven nesting sites in Ohio Western Lake Erie exist in Lucas, Ottawa, and Sandusky counties (Peterjohn, 1991). Black Terns begin winter migration by mid-to late August, overwintering in central and South America. Spring migration occurs from mid-April to late May (Rodewald et al. 2016 and Terres, 1991).

Black Terns nest in small, segregated colonies and are frequently located on mats of dead vegetation floating in the water or emerged pieces of driftwood. The nests are surrounded by standing water up to 4 feet deep, with patches of emergent vegetation surrounded by open water (Campbell, 1968). The nesting period for the Black Tern in Ohio is April 1 – June 30 (ODNR, 2020a).

### **3.1.3 Cattle Egret**

The Cattle Egret in marshes, reservoirs, swamps, and upland forests throughout the United States. This species is likely to forage in drier areas than other heron species, especially around livestock, feeding heavily on insects, spiders, and other terrestrial invertebrates (Telfair, 2006). Ohio lies at the northern edge of its breeding range. Although the Cattle Egret has a large global population, it only breeds in small numbers on a couple of the Lake Erie islands. Results from the Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in Ohio (Rodewald et al., 2016) indicate that Cattle Egrets were only confirmed nesting at two heronries at West Sister and Turning Point Islands.

Nests are frequently placed over or near water in small trees and shrubs, usually less than 15 feet off the ground. The nests are generally flimsy platforms constructed of sticks, and they sometimes use the nests of other small herons (Peck and James, 1983). Nesting in Ohio occurs from May 15 to August 15 (ODNR, 2020a).



### **3.1.4 Common Tern**

The Common Tern breeds in the Western Basin of Lake Erie in Lucas, Ottawa, and Erie Counties. Common Terns typically return to their Ohio colonies during late April and early May (Campbell, 1968). Spring migration occurs from late February through March while fall migration occurs from mid-October through the first half of December (Peterjohn, 2001).

In the early 1900's the Common Tern was virtually eliminated by the millinery trade but recovered after it received protections. The terns were once again quite numerous along the shores of western Lake Erie (Jones, 1903). The preferred nesting sites of Common Terns are natural or man-made islands that are free of predators and human disturbance (Peck and James 1983). The nesting period for the Common Tern in Ohio is May 1 – August 1 (ODNR, 2020a).

### **3.1.5 King Rail**

The King Rail is the largest North American rail and is generally uncommon across its range and prefers freshwater marshes with extensive cattails or other reeds (eBird, 2020). Habitat destruction is responsible for the disappearance of several populations throughout Ohio, and after 1952, only small numbers were reported annually along Lake Erie (Campbell, 1968). Spring migration occurs from late February through March while fall migration occurs from mid-October through the first half of December (Peterjohn, 2001).

Nesting habitat generally consists of shallow water or in dense marsh cover. The nest is constructed in a clump of grass or sedges with various marsh plants. A canopy is constructed over the top of the nest and a ramp leading down from the entrance. The King Rail nests in Ohio from May 1 to August 1 (ODNR, 2020)

### **3.1.6 Northern Harrier**

The Northern Harrier occurs throughout North America either as a breeding or non-breeding resident (Terres, 1991). This species breeds throughout Canada and Alaska as well as California eastward including northern Texas into Ohio and the New England states (Rodewald et al., 2016). The Northern Harrier occupies its breeding grounds between March and April and migrates in a southerly direction in late August into September (Terres, 1991 and Bent, 1963a).

In Ohio, the Northern Harrier has continued to decline in breeding population with the decline of wetland areas and grassland habitats (Peterjohn, 2001). The nesting period in Ohio is May 15 – August 1 (ODNR 2020a). Northern Harriers often nest in loose colonies where the female builds a nest on the ground in open areas lacking trees (Smith et al. 2020). Breeding territories vary from 2 to 272 acres in size and nests are generally at minimum 328 feet apart (ODNR, 2019). Rodewald et al. (2016) reported that research in Illinois indicated that Northern Harriers required at least 136 acres of habitat to breed. However, in Ohio the ODNR has provided guidance that open grasslands and wet meadow marshes of approximately 2 acres should be considered potential breeding habitat. This species also hunts over these habitats as well as agricultural fields by gliding over the vegetation between 5 to 8 feet (ODNR, 2019 and Bent, 1963a).



Northern Harriers may forage along the roadsides in open areas, but largely avoid urban areas (Smith et al., 2020). The Northern Harrier nest in Ohio from May 15 to August 1 (ODNR, 2020a).

### **3.1.7 Upland Sandpiper**

The Upland Sandpiper breeds throughout North American grasslands and is considered an obligate grassland species. The species' core breeding range includes the central United States and is sparsely distributed west to Alaska and Oregon and east to the New England states and southeastern Canada (Rodewald et al., 2016 and Terres, 1991). This species winters from southern Brazil to Argentina and Chile, South America (Terres, 1991). Spring migration occurs during late March through April while fall migration occurs between late July to late August (Swanson, 1996).

In Ohio, the Upland Sandpiper has continued to decline with the decline of grassland habitats. Rodewald et al. (2016) reported that the majority of breeding pairs in Ohio were associated with grassy fields at smaller airports. This species requires large tracts of habitat approximately 20 acres in size (ODNR 2015). While Swanson (1996) reported that the United States trend of breeding Upland Sandpipers was increasing (+142, probability ( $p$ ) =  $\leq 0.01$ ), the Ohio trend was decreasing (-81,  $p$  =  $\leq 0.01$ ). Nesting was confirmed in one breeding block in Ottawa County in the Second Atlas of Breeding Birds in Ohio (Rodewald et al., 2016). However, the breeding block location is located far to the northwest near the boundary of Lucas County.

The nesting period for Ohio is April 15 – July 31 (ODNR, 2020a). The grassland habitats used by Upland Sandpipers vary widely and can include both exotic and native grasses in dry grasslands. The Upland Sandpiper can be associated with, and at times, even prefer shorter grass/forb structures, therefore, areas that are grazed, hayed, or mowed are used by Upland Sandpipers (ODNR, 2015). The Upland Sandpiper generally occupies large tracts of habitat with a minimum of 20 acres and vegetation between 6 to 14 inches in height and forages in areas less than 4 inches in height (Swanson, 1996).

### **3.1.8 Black-Crowned Night-Heron**

The Black-Crowned Night-Heron in North and South America from Canada as far south as Argentina. In Ohio, they presently nest on West Sister Island National Wildlife Refuge and Turning Point Island in Sandusky Bay (ODNR, 2020a). Black-crowned Night Herons in Ohio move southward in late September and October to destinations ranging from Florida the Gulf Coast, coastal Mexico, central Mexico, and Central America. They return to breeding grounds in March through May (L'arrivee and Blokpoel, 1990).

The Black-Crowned Night-Heron once nested in marshes and swamps throughout Ohio but has been eliminated as a mainland nester and is now relegated to Lake Erie Islands. The Black-Crowned Night-Heron is primarily a wetland-dependent species. Nest construction begins during April or early May in colonies, often in mixed colonies with other herons or in small trees near waterbodies or wetlands (Campbell, 1968). The nesting period for the Black-Crowned Night-Heron in Ohio is May 1 through July 31 (ODNR, 2020a).



### **3.1.9 Least Bittern**

The Least Bittern breeds from southeastern Canada through the United States and Mexico also reaching into Costa Rica and the Greater Antilles. The northern populations overwinter in the southernmost United States and to Panama (Rodewald et al., 2016 and Terres, 1991). Spring migration occurs primarily in May through early June. Least Bitterns are casual to rare outside of nesting habitat during spring migration. Fall migration occurs between early August through September (Peterjohn, 2001).

In Ohio, the Least Bittern was one of the most common marsh birds in the early 1900's (Peterjohn, 2001; Rodewald et al., 2016). The breeding population declined as a direct result of the extensive wetland loss between the 1930's and 1960's. This species nests primarily in dense emergent wetlands with thick stands of cattails, sedges, sawgrass, or other semiaquatic vegetation interspersed with woody vegetation and open water (ODNR, 2020a). In parts of its Midwest range, the Least Bittern is often found in wetlands 1 to 12 acres in size suggesting that it may be area sensitive (Poole et al., 2020). Nest sites observed in New York had a mean distance to open water of approximately 11 feet and water levels at nest sites ranged from 0 to 1.9 feet with a mean depth of 1.1 feet (n=33; Pool et al. 2009).

Rodewald et al. (2016) reported probable and confirmed breeding in Ottawa County between 2006 to 2011. No records of non-breeding or breeding Least Bittern exist for the project area or for adjacent areas. Detection of the species can be low due to its secretive nature where it is less often seen than heard from the interior of dense marshes of cattail and other vegetation (Bent, 1963).

### **3.1.10 Sandhill Crane**

The Sandhill Crane breeds primarily throughout Canada and Alaska with some limited populations from Oregon to Colorado in the western United States and Michigan in the Midwest (Rodewald et al., 2016). Ohio lies at the southeastern periphery of its breeding range. Sandhill Cranes observed in Ohio are primarily migrating as they travel from breeding grounds in the north to wintering grounds in Florida (Rodewald et al., 2016 and Terres, 1991). Spring migration occurs from late February through March while fall migration occurs from mid-October through the first half of December (Peterjohn, 2001).

In the late 1800's the Sandhill Crane once bred in northern Ohio regularly (Peterjohn, 2001 and Bent, 1963). The draining of large swamps, marshes, and bogs eliminated breeding habitat for this species. The Sandhill Crane is primarily a wetland-dependent species. During migration and on wintering grounds the species will utilize agricultural fields; however, they will generally roost in shallow water marshes with standing water (ODNR, 2020a). Nesting habitat generally consists of large tracts of wet meadow or shallow water marshes. An average of 20 breeding pair of Sandhill Cranes was recorded in Ohio between 2006 and 2011 (Rodewald et al., 2016). The nesting period for the Sandhill Crane in Ohio is April 1 – September 1 (ODNR, 2020a). A steady increase in protected marsh habitat has provided adequate nesting opportunity for this species to once again nest in Ohio.



### 3.1.11 Trumpeter Swan

The Trumpeter Swan is the heaviest living bird in North America. Records indicate that the swan was extirpated in the state of Ohio by the early 1700s, but strong population numbers were reported in 2014, due to the removal of Mute Swans that competed for breeding areas (Rodewald et al., 2016 and Terres, 1991). Their diet consists almost exclusively of aquatic plants, and in winter will eat grasses and grains in agricultural fields.

Nesting habitat generally consists of a site surrounded by water and usually less than 600 feet from shore. The nest is built on an existing structure, including beaver dams, small islands, or man-made platforms. The nest consists of aquatic vegetation and can measure up to 11 feet across and three feet high (eBird, 2020). The nesting period for the Trumpeter Swan in Ohio is April 15 – June 15 (ODNR, 2020a).

## 3.2 Desktop and Field Review

AECOM completed field surveys within the Project area on January 14 and 15; October 7; November 17 and 18, 2020 for potential habitat for the American Bittern, Black Tern, Cattle Egret, Common Tern, King Rail, Northern Harrier, Upland Sandpiper, Black-Crowned Night-Heron, Least Bittern, Sandhill Crane, and Trumpeter Swan. A summary of vegetative community and land cover types are provided below in Table 2 and displayed on Figures 2-1 – 2-16 (**Appendix A, Figure 2 – Bird Habitat Map**). Representative photographs of habitat conditions within the Project survey area are provided in **Appendix D, Photographic Log**. The acreages shown in Table 2 include the entire Project survey area that encompasses all anticipated work limits. Based on the nature of the Project, some of these areas may not be impacted by the Project construction activities.

**Table 2. Vegetative Communities / Land Cover Types within the Project Area**

<b>Vegetative Community / Land Cover Type</b>	<b>Acreage within Survey Area</b>	<b>Percentage of Survey Area</b>
Agricultural	13.02	35.1
Forest	0.34	0.9
Old Field (ROW)	3.94	10.6
Residential	4.35	11.7
Urban	6.97	18.8
Wetland / Stream	8.44	22.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>37.05</b>	<b>100</b>

\*Forested areas are located immediately adjacent to the Project survey area of existing transmission right-of-way and does not intersect the proposed work areas. However, small, forested areas are located along the edge of existing access roads and included within Table 2.

## 3.3 Desktop Assessment For Bat Hibernaculum

Based on the available desktop resources, no documented underground mines, mine entrances/openings, or karst features are present within ¼-mile of the Project. ODNR mining records indicate that several underground and surface mine features are present to the east of the Project in Ottawa County but are not within ¼-mile of the Project area (**Figure 5 – Known Mining Activity Map**). Surface mines to the southeast



and southwest of the Project area in Erie County are approximately 0.6 to 2.0 miles away, beyond the visible extent on **Figure 5 – Known Mining Activity Map**.

Karst geology is associated with approximately the western half of Ohio, and not the portion of the state in which the Project is located. Review of the ODNR Karst Interactive Map did not reveal any karst geology or sinkholes within the Project vicinity (**Figure 6 – Karst Geology and Sinkholes Map**). Furthermore, no underground voids or openings were observed in the field during previous environmental surveys conducted for the Project.

## **4.0 Conclusions**

### **4.1 Bird Habitat Assessment**

The vegetative community and land cover type was dominated by agricultural land use/cover type (35.1%) within the Project survey area. Crop types observed in the Project survey area were primarily maintained hayfield and small areas of corn and/or soybean fields. Wetland / stream land cover type made up approximately 22.8% of the Project survey area. Urban and residential land uses made up approximately 30.5% (18.8% and 11.7%, respectively) of the Project survey area. Additionally, 10.6% consists of old field vegetative communities/land cover type that is situated within the maintained right-of-way. Lastly, forested areas located along the edge of existing access roads are composed of 0.9% of the Project survey area (**Table 2**). The majority of potential habitat assessed for suitability for the listed species are fragmented due to the prevalence of active agriculture, urban/industrial developments, and forested tree lines. As a result, contiguous grassland habitats and non-disturbed wetland communities are less frequent within the Project survey area. Conclusions based on species natural history, documented occurrence data, and field review are provided below.

#### **4.1.1 American Bittern**

As discussed in 3.1.1, American Bitterns require wetlands that are generally greater than 25-acres in size with large pools or ponded areas surrounded by dense vegetation. That most promising site for this species potential habitat is located outside and east of the construction work limits near Structures 1452 and 1453, where a large, inundated wetland complex continues and drains into a large man-made lake. A portion of this wetland extends within the survey area (Wetland LO-12a/b) but does not provide suitable nesting habitat due to lack of inundated areas as well as the adjacent tree lines creating the “closed in” or fragmented effect. The “closed in” or fragmented effect limits the availability for the American Bittern to be present within the delineated portion of the wetland. As such, the delineated portion of the wetland does not provide a contiguous open habitat and adjacent tree lines on either side of this wetland could lead to predatory animals such as coyotes and feral cats disturbing nest sites. The American Bittern nest selection relies on being protected by open-water systems as well as dense fringe vegetation for camouflage, which is absent within the existing maintained right-of-way. Furthermore, the two PUB portions of the wetland (Wetland LO-09c) are less than 1-acre in size, which are not adequately sized for nesting grounds for this



species, and more suitable habitat (i.e., east of Structure 1452 and 1453) is present adjacent and outside of the Project area. This area is identified on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat** as *Potentially Suitable Nesting Habitat for Listed Bird Species*. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction of the Project would not likely adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.2 Black Tern**

Since the Black Terns prefers nesting within large, inundated wetland complexes on isolated mats of dead vegetation floating in water or emerged pieces of driftwood, this species nesting grounds is not likely to be present within the Project area. Additionally, foraging for this species is unlikely to occur within the Project area due to lack of large open water systems. The habitats identified within the survey area are more terrestrial and/or seasonally inundated/saturated wetlands that does not provide the necessary protection for this species nests as well as foraging opportunities. Even though two inundated/PUB portions of a wetland complex (Wetland LO-09c) were identified, these wetlands are small, and the fringe boundaries are relatively close to the interior inundated areas that decreases the likelihood that this species would nest within this area due to predation from terrestrial predators such as coyotes and feral cats. Furthermore, this species is would also be subjected to the “close-in” or fragmented effects similar to the American Bittern and the bordering tree-lines would not provide the continuous open habitat to support the nesting requirements of this species. Lastly, more suitable habitat for this species was identified outside of the survey area located within a large estuary wetland complex situated west of Fulton Street. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would not likely adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.3 Cattle Egret**

Within Ohio, the Cattle Egret is currently known to nest only within two islands (West Sister Island and a small Island located North of Sandusky). Due to the proximity of these areas with the Project area, the Cattle Egret is likely to be present for foraging opportunities, but the Project area is not likely to contain suitable nesting opportunities for this species. The nesting habitat required for this species are frequently placed over or near open water systems in small trees and/or shrubs. As detailed in the previous two species, there is a lack of large open water systems within the Project area and nests would be subjected to either the “closed-in” or fragmented effect as well as predation from coyotes and/or feral cats. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would not likely adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.4 Common Tern**

Similar to the description of the Black Tern in Section 4.1.2, this species prefers nesting within inundated wetland complexes on isolated mats of dead vegetation floating in water or emerged pieces of driftwood and foraging occurs over large open-water complexes. Due to the lack of these habitats within the Project



area, it is unlikely that suitable nesting and/or foraging opportunities would be present. Furthermore, more suitable habitat for this species was identified outside of the survey area located within a large estuary wetland complex situated west of Fulton Street. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would not likely adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.5 King Rail**

King rail often requires large wetland habitats greater than 50-acres in size for suitable nesting sites that are slightly above shallow water that contains mosaics of vegetation types and microtopography that result in hummocks and patches of shallow open water (Ohio Birds, 2021). The wetland habitats located north of Highway Route 2, are smaller wetland complexes that does not provide suitable nesting grounds for this species. Additionally, the large wetland complex (Wetland LO-12a/b) identified immediately south of this highway is situated within the existing transmission right-of-way lacks inundated areas and would be subjected to “closed-in” or fragmented effect of the neighboring tree lines. However, more suitable habitat (i.e., east of Structure 1452 and 1453) is present adjacent and outside of the Project area. This area is identified on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat** as *Potentially Suitable Nesting Habitat for Listed Bird Species*. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would not likely adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.6 Northern Harrier**

The Northern Harrier generally nests in large marshes and grasslands. Agricultural areas are used by Northern Harrier for foraging during migration and over-wintering after crops are cleared by harvest. The Project area is predominantly characterized as active agricultural area, forested areas, and urban and residential land use that would result in the “closed in” or fragmented effect. The “closed in” or fragmented effects the availability of Northern Harrier habitat to be present as grasslands and/or wetlands may be too small, isolated, and/or too influenced by edge effects to maintain viable population, including increase of predation (Johnson, 2001). The habitats identified within the Project area displayed this “closed in” and/or fragment effects as there was an absence of large, undisturbed wetland complexes and contiguous old field vegetative communities. However, the open hayfield identified near Structure 1397 may provide foraging opportunities for this species, but nesting is unlikely due to the actively maintained and/or mowing activities from the agricultural practices. Additionally, one observation record on eBird indicated that this species was present foraging within the un-maintained field located approximately 0.72-mile East-Southeast of Structure 1397. Therefore, the nesting area of this species is likely located in the larger wetland complex located north of the is field. This area is identified on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat** as *Potentially Suitable Nesting Habitat for Listed Bird Species*. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would unlikely adversely affect this species.



#### **4.1.7 Upland Sandpiper**

The ODNR states that the Upland Sandpiper nests in dry grasslands, pastures, hayfields, and airport infields. This species is known to occupy habitats with shorter vegetative height. While the areas observed within the Project area did possess grassland areas, most were greater than 36 inches in height and possessed a very dense thatch layer or continuous areas were relatively too small to provide nesting opportunities for this species. However, the open maintained hayfield situated near Structure 1397 and North of East Lockwood Road is associated with a continuous area that is approximately 229-acres in size. Even though this area is greater than 20-acres, the bordering forest and wetlands could lead to predatory animals such as coyotes and feral cats that could lead to disturbance to the Upland Sandpipers' nests. Furthermore, the lack of perches and timing of mowing within this field may also negatively affect the potential for Upland Sandpiper to nest within these fields. Therefore, these maintained hayfields may be limited or less optimal than other areas to provide nesting opportunities for the Upland Sandpiper located outside of the Project area. However, the maintained field could not entirely be ruled out as suitable habitat due to the size and type of the continuous short grass/forb habitat present within the Project area.

As an attempt to minimize the habitat disturbances, ATSI intends to utilize the existing gravel access road located off East Lockwood Road to access the Project area. Therefore, the only activities that will occur within the potential suitable habitat areas are located along the proposed temporary access roads to Structures 1397 and 1452 as well as these structures temporary work areas within the existing right-of-way. Therefore, AECOM recommends adherence to the recommended seasonal restriction and/or completion of vegetation clearing and/or site preparation activities (i.e., installation of access roads, timber mats, and work areas) prior to April 15 and/or after July 31 to avoid adverse effects to the Upland Sandpiper. Therefore, work activities may occur during this seasonal restriction but potential effects to the Upland Sandpiper nesting habitat would not be anticipated due to the lack of suitable breeding habitat and due to the scheduling of vegetation clearing and site preparation activities that would occur prior to April 15 and/or after July 31. If vegetation clearing activities and/or site preparation are required within the nesting period, additional coordination with the ODNR and a potential presence/absence survey may need to be completed prior to construction.

#### **4.1.8 Black-Crowned Night-Heron**

As Black-crowned Night-herons are known for nesting within small trees near waterbodies and/or wetlands (Campbell, 1968), only one wetland complex (Wetland LO-09a/b/c) has a potential to support nesting activities for this species. All other wetlands and/or habitats within the Project area lack woody vegetation and/or inundated areas that are necessary to support a nesting habitat for this species. However, the potential for Wetland LO-09a/b/c is low due to the relative size of the entire complex and other suitable habitat may be present in wetlands and/or other habitats located outside of the Project area. The potential habitat for this species is displayed on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat**. Therefore, AECOM recommends adherence to the recommended seasonal restriction and/or completion of vegetation



clearing and/or site preparation activities (i.e., installation of access roads, timber mats, and work areas) prior to May 1 and/or after July 31 to avoid adverse effects to this species. Therefore, work activities may occur during this seasonal restriction without potential effects to the Black-crowned Night-heron nesting habitat would not be anticipated due to the lack of suitable breeding habitat and due to the scheduling of vegetation clearing and site preparation activities that would occur prior to May 1 and/or after July 31. If vegetation clearing activities and/or site preparation are required within the nesting period, additional coordination with the ODNR and a potential presence/absence survey may need to be completed prior to construction.

#### **4.1.9 Least Bittern**

The Project survey area does not contain extensive undisturbed wetland habitat that includes open water and dense emergent vegetation. Small wetlands occur at various locations throughout the Project survey area; however, they are bordered by dense forested areas and do not offer suitable habitat at the smaller scale. Larger wetlands within the project area are not suitable habitat due to their locations within disturbed areas (e.g., agricultural, and urban land classification types), lack of open water, and/or absence of dense vegetation. However, one wetland complex (Wetland LO-09a/b/c) provides small PUB portions that may have low possibilities for supporting nesting habitat for this species located between Structures 1454 and 1456. The potential habitat for this species is displayed on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat**. Therefore, AECOM recommends adherence to the recommended seasonal restriction and/or completion of vegetation clearing and/or site preparation activities (i.e., installation of access roads, timber mats, and work areas) prior to May 1 and/or after July 31 to avoid adverse effects to this species. Therefore, work activities may occur during this seasonal restriction without potential effects to the Least Bittern nesting habitat would not be anticipated due to lack of suitable breeding habitat and due to the scheduling of vegetation clearing and site preparation activities that would occur prior to May 1 and/or after July 31. If vegetation clearing activities and/or site preparation are required within the nesting period, additional coordination with the ODNR and a potential presence/absence survey may need to be completed prior to construction.

#### **4.1.10 Sandhill Crane**

The ODNR states that this species nests primarily in wetland areas. However, Downs (2004) found that the preferred habitat for breeding Sandhill Cranes in Ohio consists of large areas of shallow marshes, typically less than 12 inches deep and a minimum of 5 acres in size, which are dominated by cattail, sedge, and reed canary grasses. Equally important, the shallow marshes are commonly located adjacent to open areas of grassland or hay fields, and typically located within 0.5 miles of row crop fields. While there are emergent wetlands located throughout the Project area, a survey of these features found them lacking these characteristics. Thus, the right of way is not suitable for Sandhill Crane nesting. Additionally, the multiple transmission lines within the large right of way pose a barrier for this species that may preclude it from using this habitat. Mortality of Sandhill Cranes has been documented throughout its range from



collision with transmission lines (Murphy et al. 2016). Murphy et al. (2016) found that during daylight hours Sandhill Cranes often reacted to avoid transmission lines during flight. Furthermore, the adjacent forested areas provide habitat for predators of the Sandhill Crane, such as coyotes and feral cats. Furthermore, more suitable habitat (i.e. east of Structure 1452 and 1453) is present adjacent and outside of the Project area. This area is identified on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat** as *Potentially Suitable Nesting Habitat for Listed Bird Species*. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would be unlikely to adversely affect this species.

#### **4.1.11 Trumpeter Swan**

As per ODNR guidance, the Trumpeter Swan prefers nesting in large marshes and lakes ranging in size from 40 to 150 acres in size (ODNR, 2020a). Based on the wetlands observed within the Project area, majority of the wetlands would provide adequate nesting opportunities for the species based on this size restriction and type of wetland habitats present. However, one wetland complex (Wetland LO-12a/b/c) is associated with a large wetland complexes that continues outside of the Project area to the east and west. Within the Project area, the wetland is a seasonal wetland complex with a narrow corridor which would create the “closed-in” or fragmentation effect that would eliminate this portion of the wetland as being potential habitat for this species. Additionally, the adjoining forested areas along the edge of the existing transmission right-of-way would provide habitat for predators to disturb any nests within this area. Therefore, the habitat for this species would likely be present outside of the Project area (i.e. east of Structure 1452 and 1453) as identified on **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat** as *Potentially Suitable Nesting Habitat for Listed Bird Species*. Therefore, AECOM concluded that this species nesting habitat is not likely present within the Project area and construction would unlikely adversely affect this species.

## **4.2 Bat Habitat Assessment**

AECOM completed the due diligence winter bat habitat desktop in November 2021. As a result, no records of underground mines, mine openings, or karst features were identified. Based upon review of these records, topographic maps, and aerial photography, it is unlikely that potential hibernacula are present within ¼-mile of the Project. Furthermore, no mines and/or other portals were identified within the Project area during the field assessments.

## **5.0 Summary**

In summary, potentially suitable nesting habitat was not found to be present in the Project area for the American Bittern, Black Tern, King Rail, Common Tern, Cattle Egret, Northern Harrier, Sandhill Crane, and/or Trumpeter Swan. However, potential suitable breeding or nesting habitat for these species was identified outside of the Project area and foraging activities may be present. Due to the absence of potentially suitable nesting habitat for these species, it is our opinion that seasonal construction restrictions



are not required. However, potential suitable breeding or nesting habitat was identified for three species (Black-crowned Night heron, Least Bittern, and Upland Sandpiper) within the Project area. Therefore, AECOM recommends coordination with the ODNR for concurrence of this habitat assessment and confirmation that the Project would not result in disturbance of these species nesting habitat if the Project area is cleared and/or site preparation activities occur outside of their seasonal timing restrictions (before or after) and that work activities thereby can continue during the restriction time period. The potential nesting location of the species are displayed in **Appendix A, Figure 3 – Potential Bird Nesting Habitat**.

Regarding bat hibernaculum within ¼-mile of the Project area, AECOM did not identify any records of mine openings, karst features, and/or caves during the due diligence winter bat habitat desktop review. Furthermore, none of these features were identified during the site investigations within the Project survey area. Based upon the review of these records, topographic maps, and aerial photography, it is unlikely that potential bat hibernacula exist within ¼-mile of the Project. Therefore, AECOM does not recommend any additional field assessments or surveys at this time.

*Disclaimer: Please note the field survey results presented herein apply to the existing and reasonably foreseeable site conditions at the time of our assessment. They cannot apply to site changes of which AECOM is unaware and has not had the opportunity to review. Changes in the condition of a property may occur with time due to natural processes or human impacts at the project site or on adjacent properties. Changes in applicable standards may also occur as a result of legislation or the expansion of knowledge over time. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated, wholly or in part, by changes beyond the control of AECOM.*



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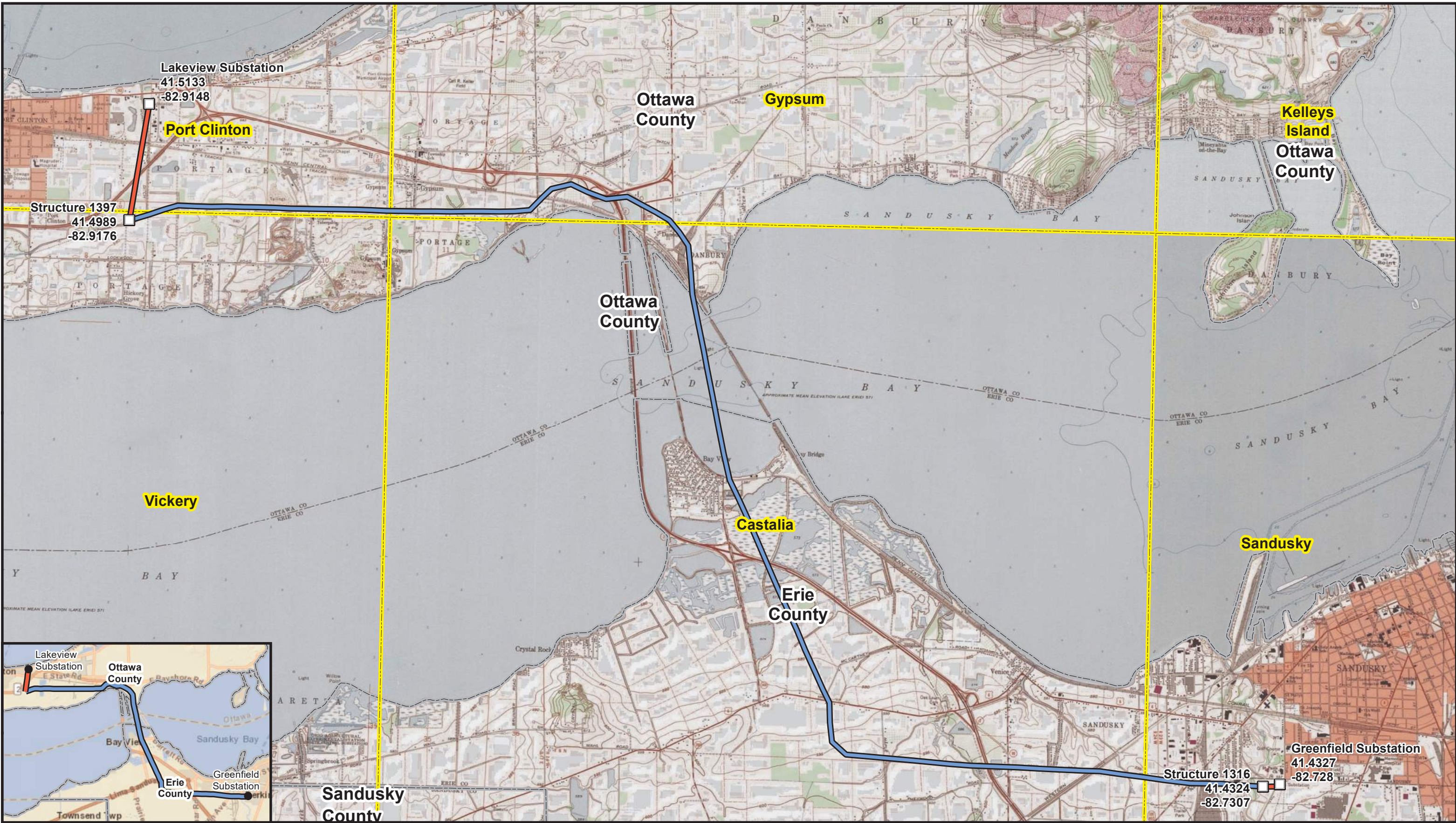
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## **APPENDIX A: FIGURES**



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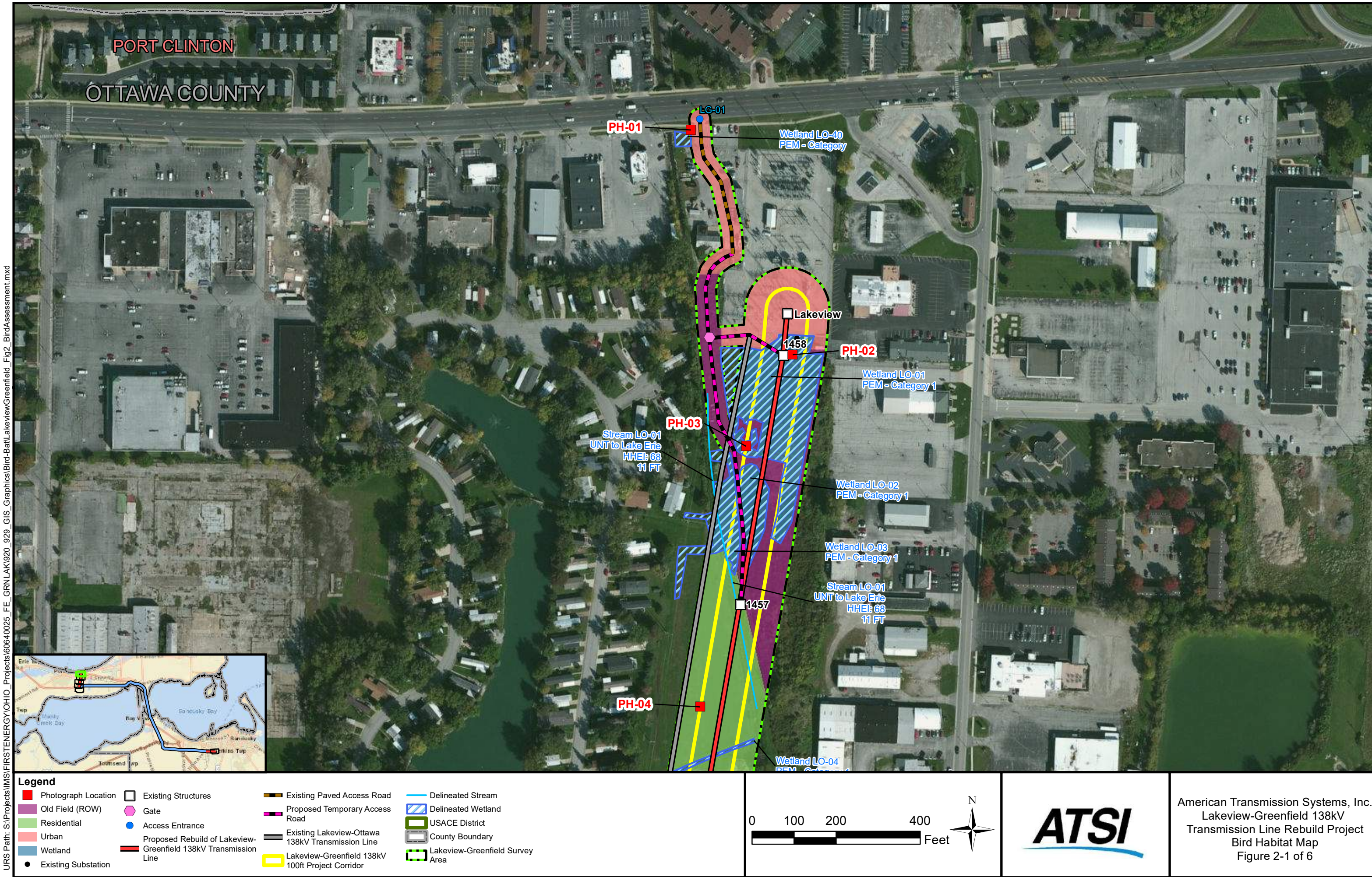
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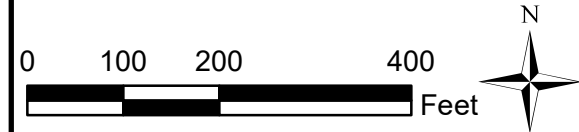
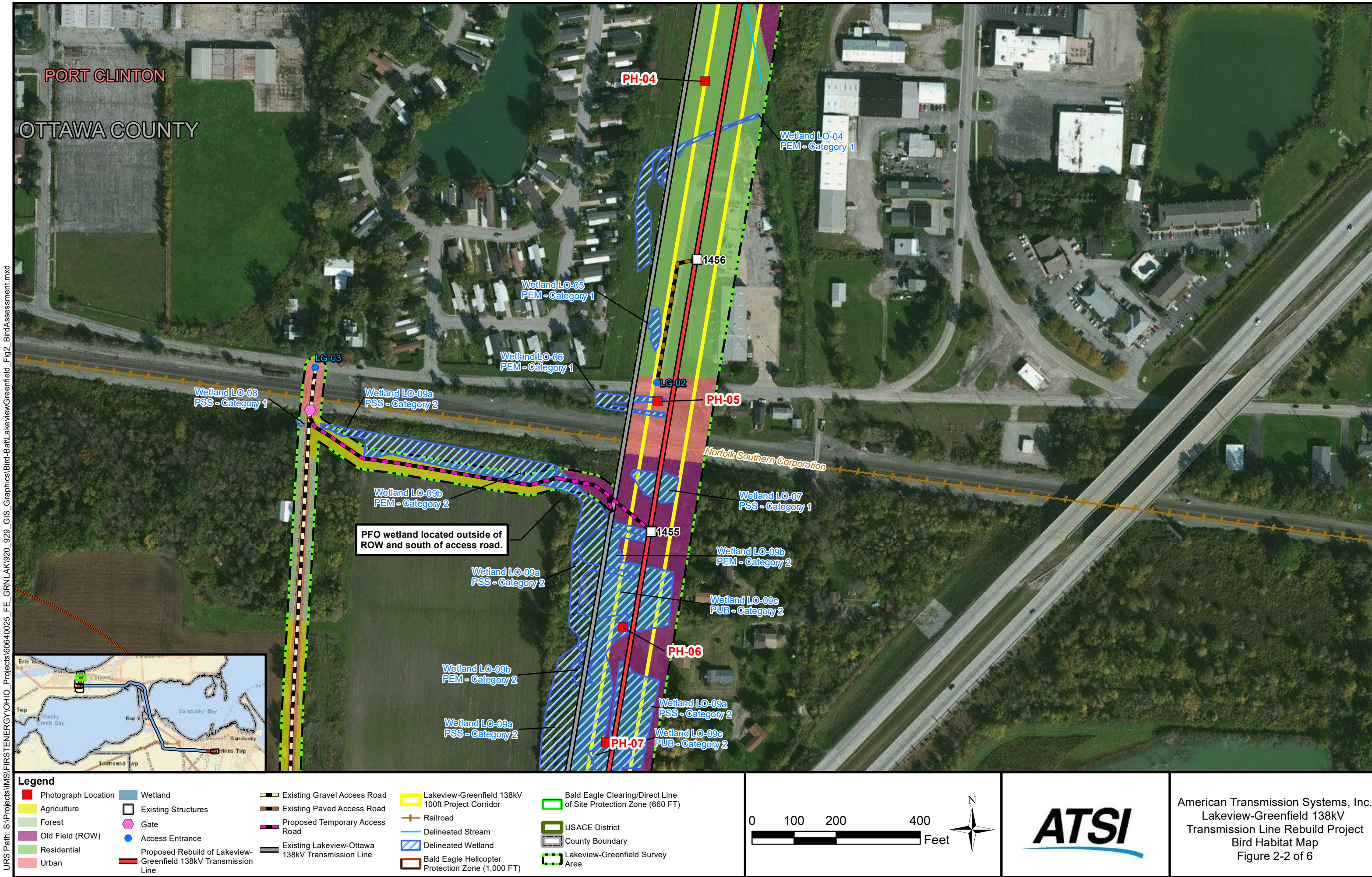


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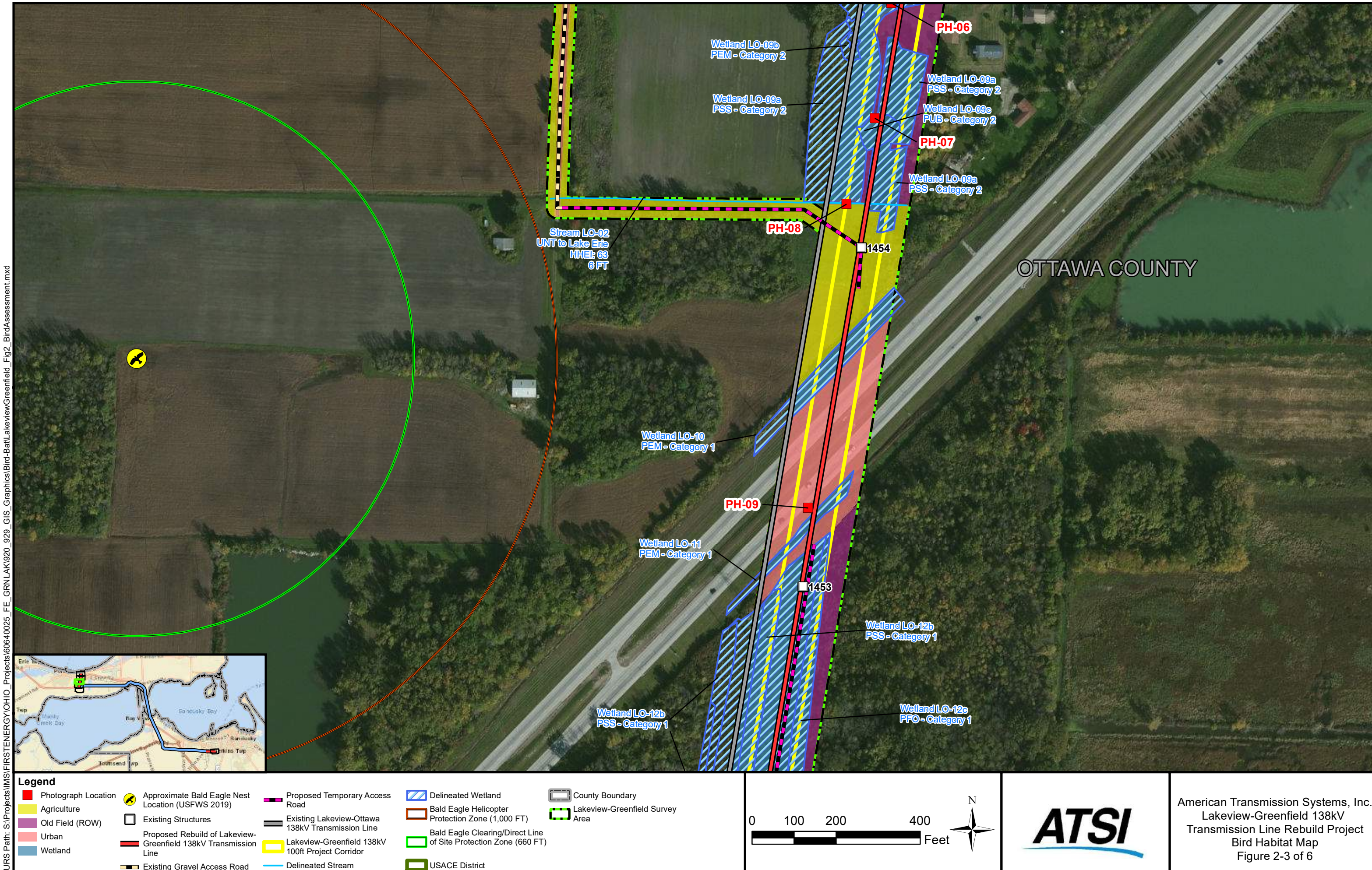
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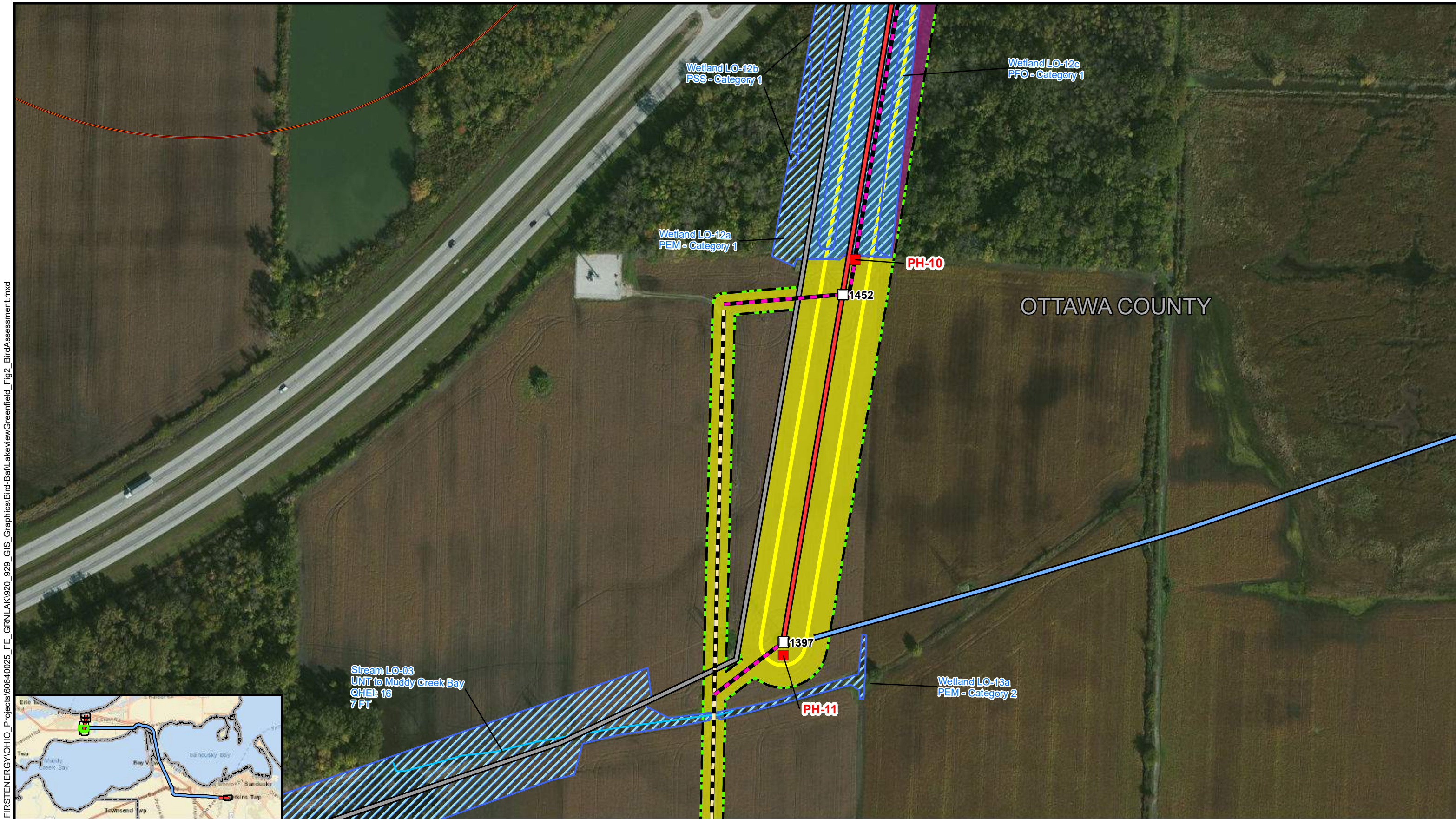


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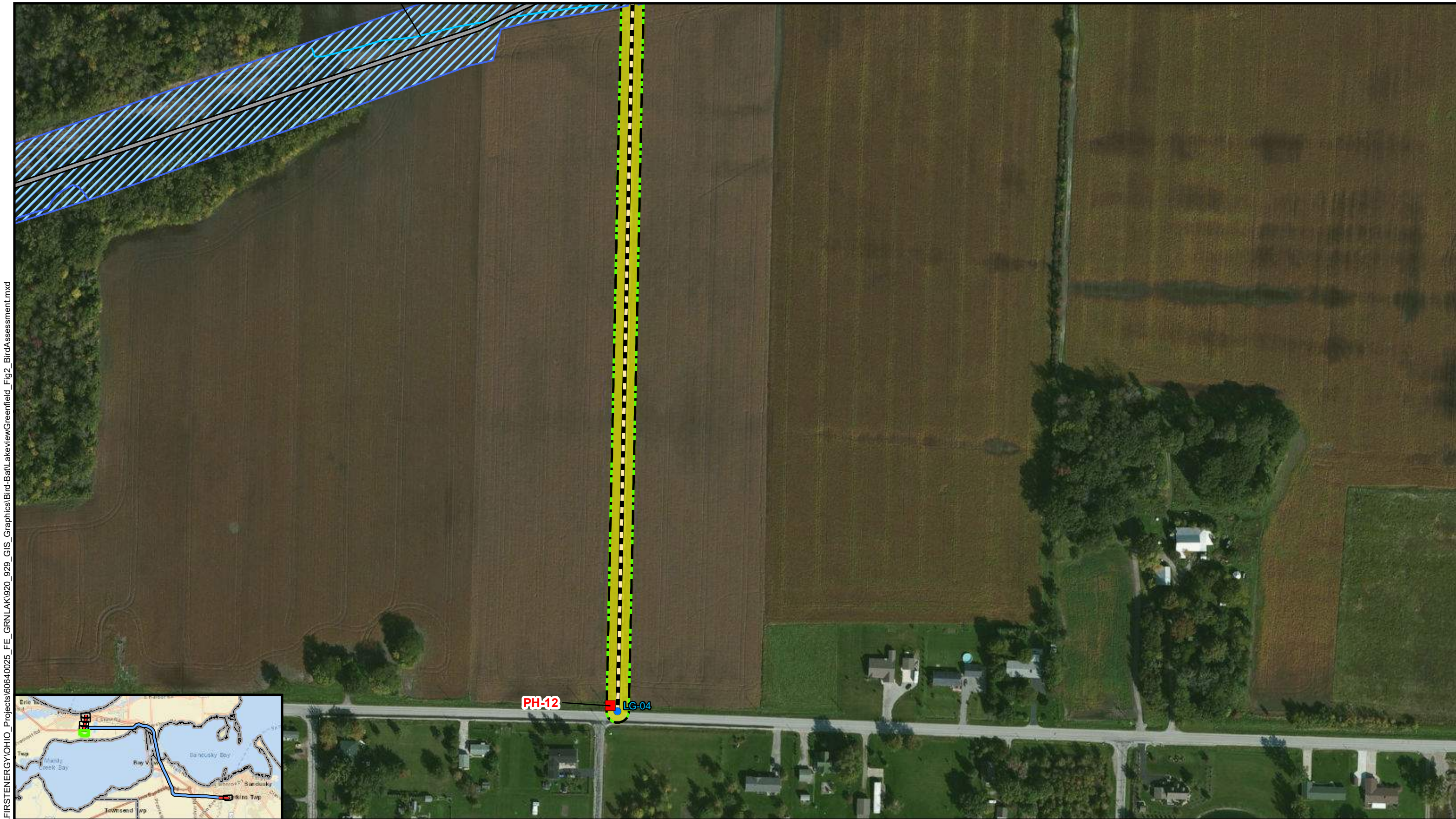


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Wetland	Proposed Temporary Access Road
Existing Structures	Delineated Stream
	Delineated Wetland
	Bald Eagle Helicopter Protection Zone (1,000 FT)
	USACE District
	County Boundary
	Lakeview-Greenfield Survey Area
	Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV 100ft Project Corridor

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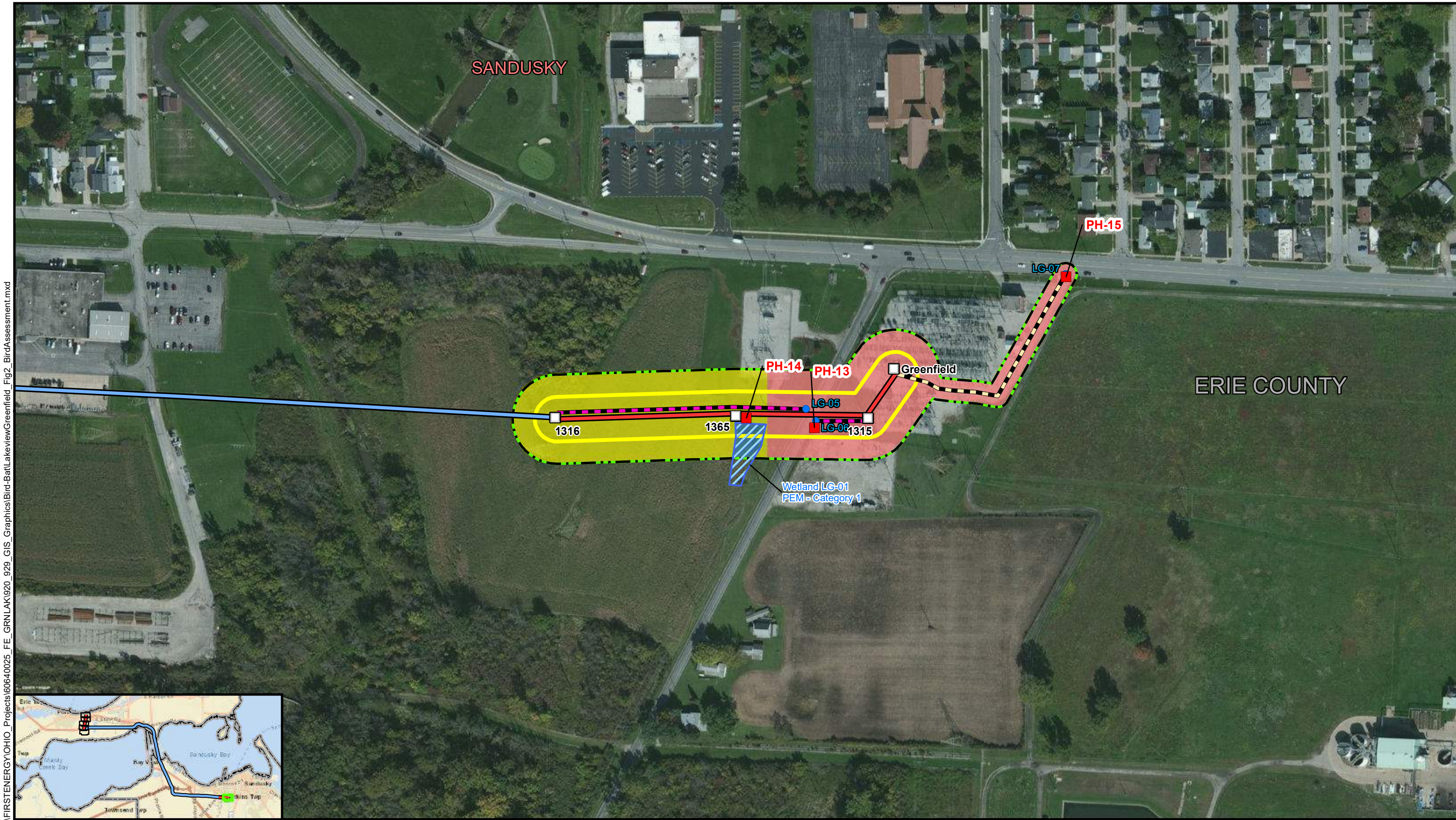
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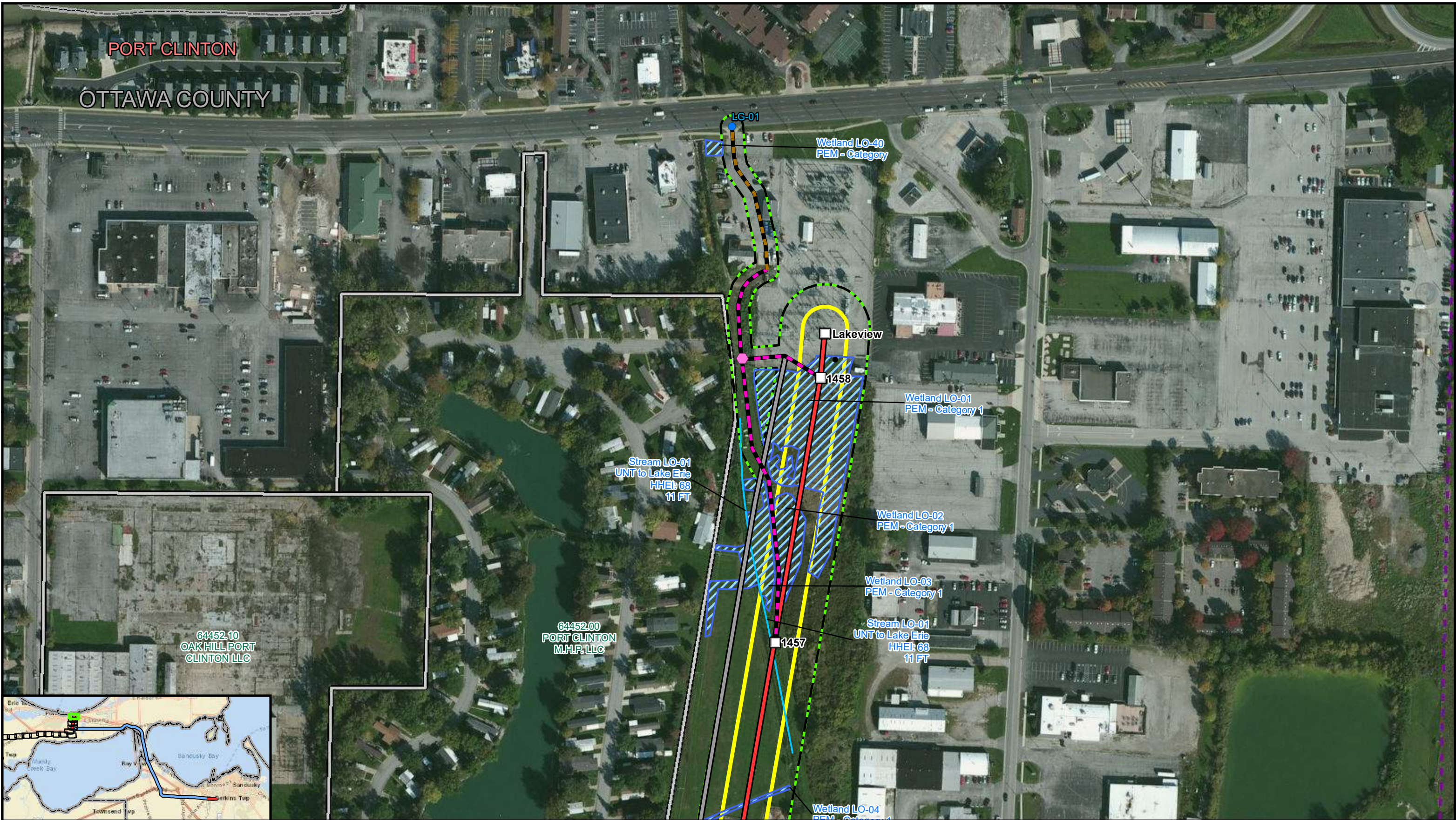


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Existing Substation	Proposed Temporary Access Road
Existing Structures	Delineated Wetland
Delineated Wetland	USACE District
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Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV 100ft Project Corridor	Lakeview-Greenfield Survey Area

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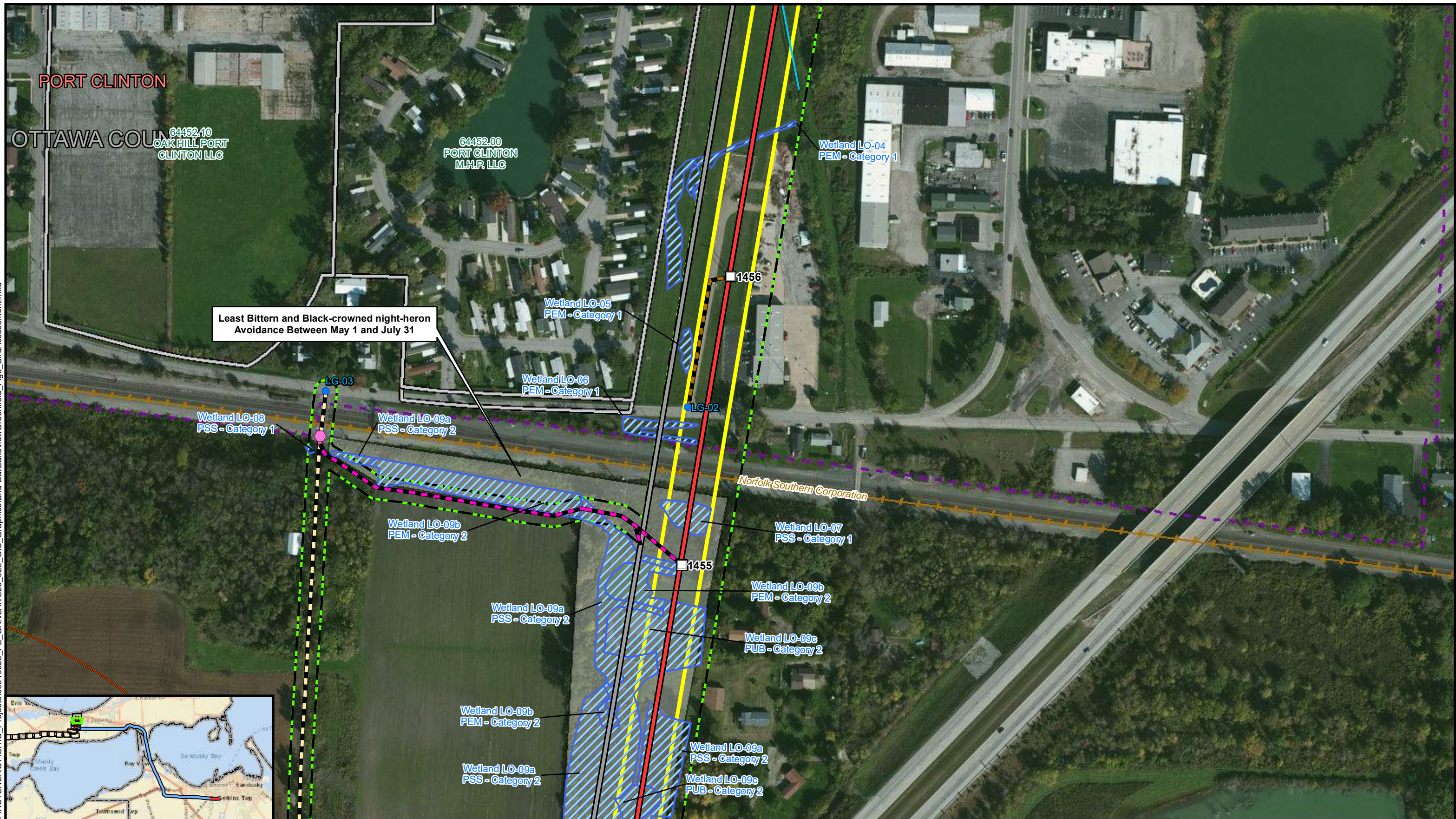
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● Access Entrance		— Delineated Wetland	— Parcel Boundary



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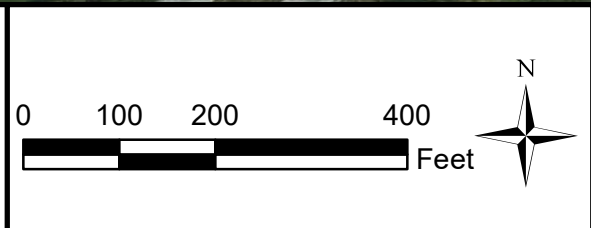


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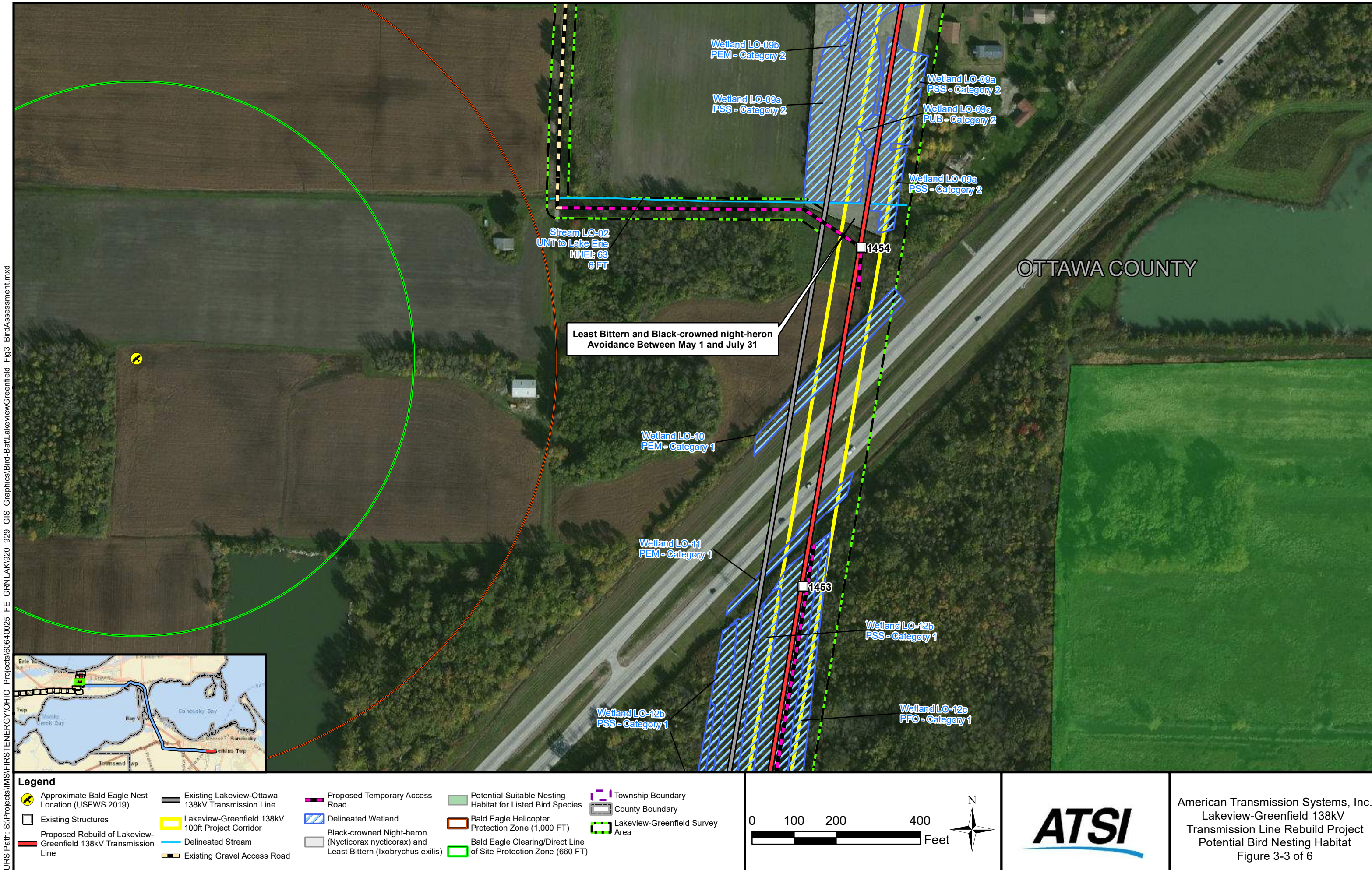
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- Railroad
- Delineated Stream
- Existing Gravel Access Road
- Existing Paved Access Road
- Proposed Temporary Access Road
- Delineated Wetland
- Parcel Boundary
- Black-crowned Night-heron (Nycticorax nycticorax) and Least Bittern (Ixobrychus exilis)
- Bald Eagle Helicopter Protection Zone (1,000 FT)
- Bald Eagle Clearing/Direct Line of Site Protection Zone (660 FT)
- Township Boundary
- County Boundary
- Lakeview-Greenfield Survey Area



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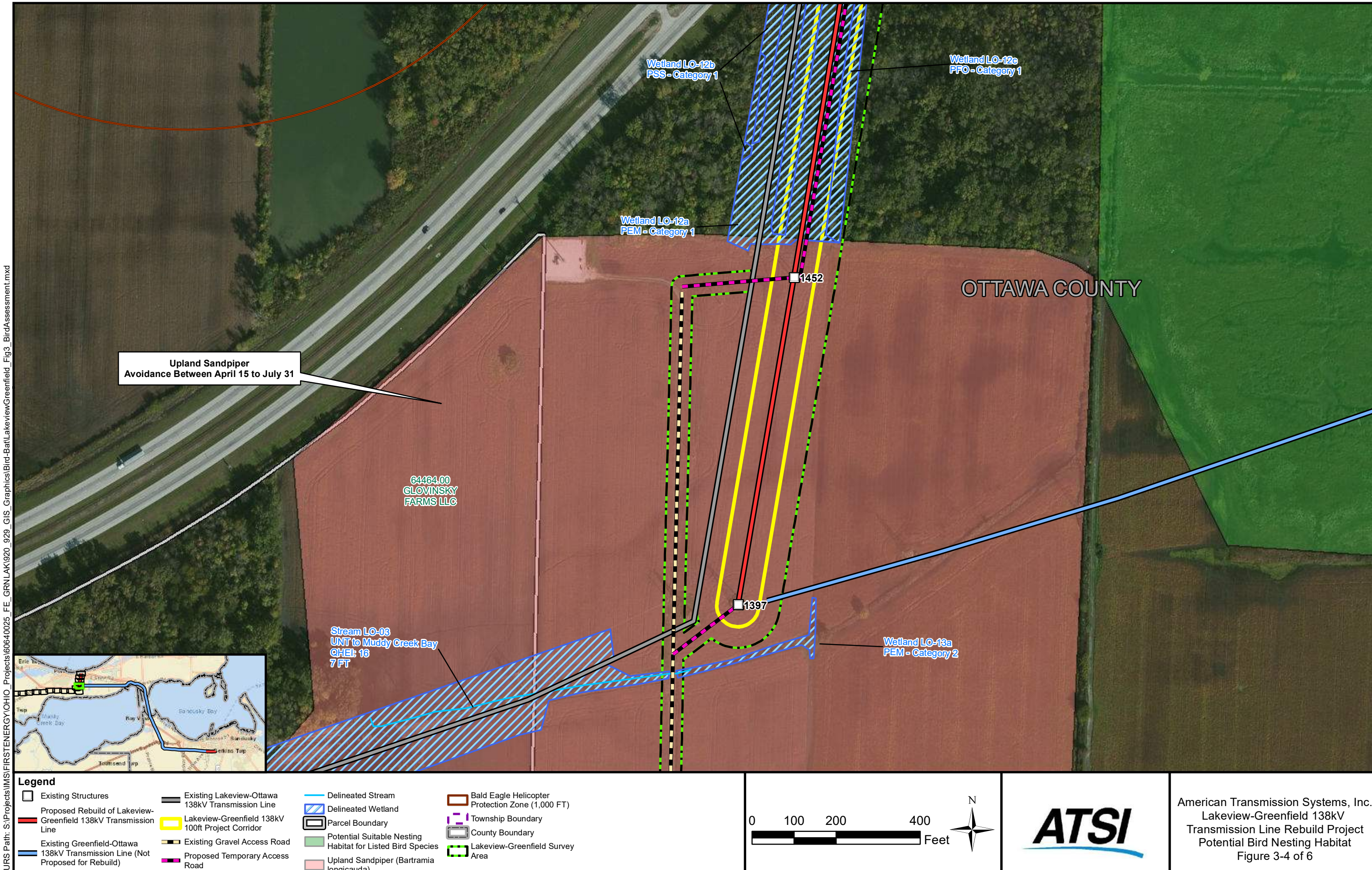


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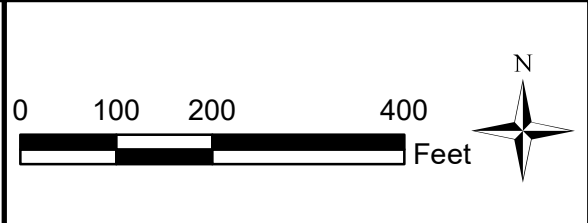


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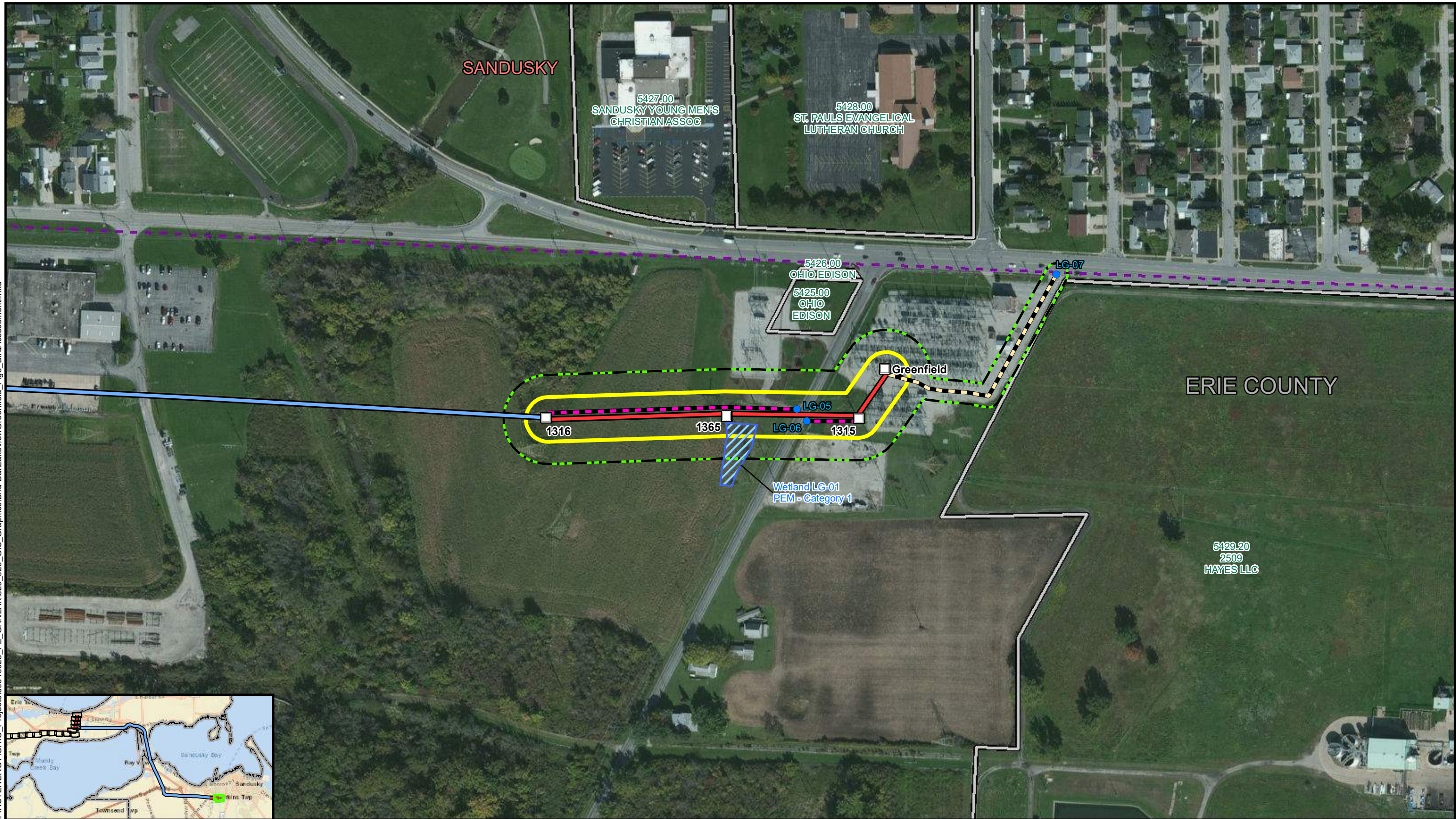
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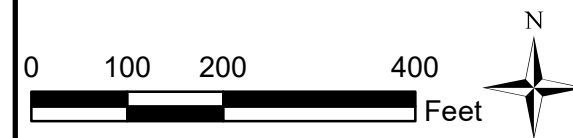
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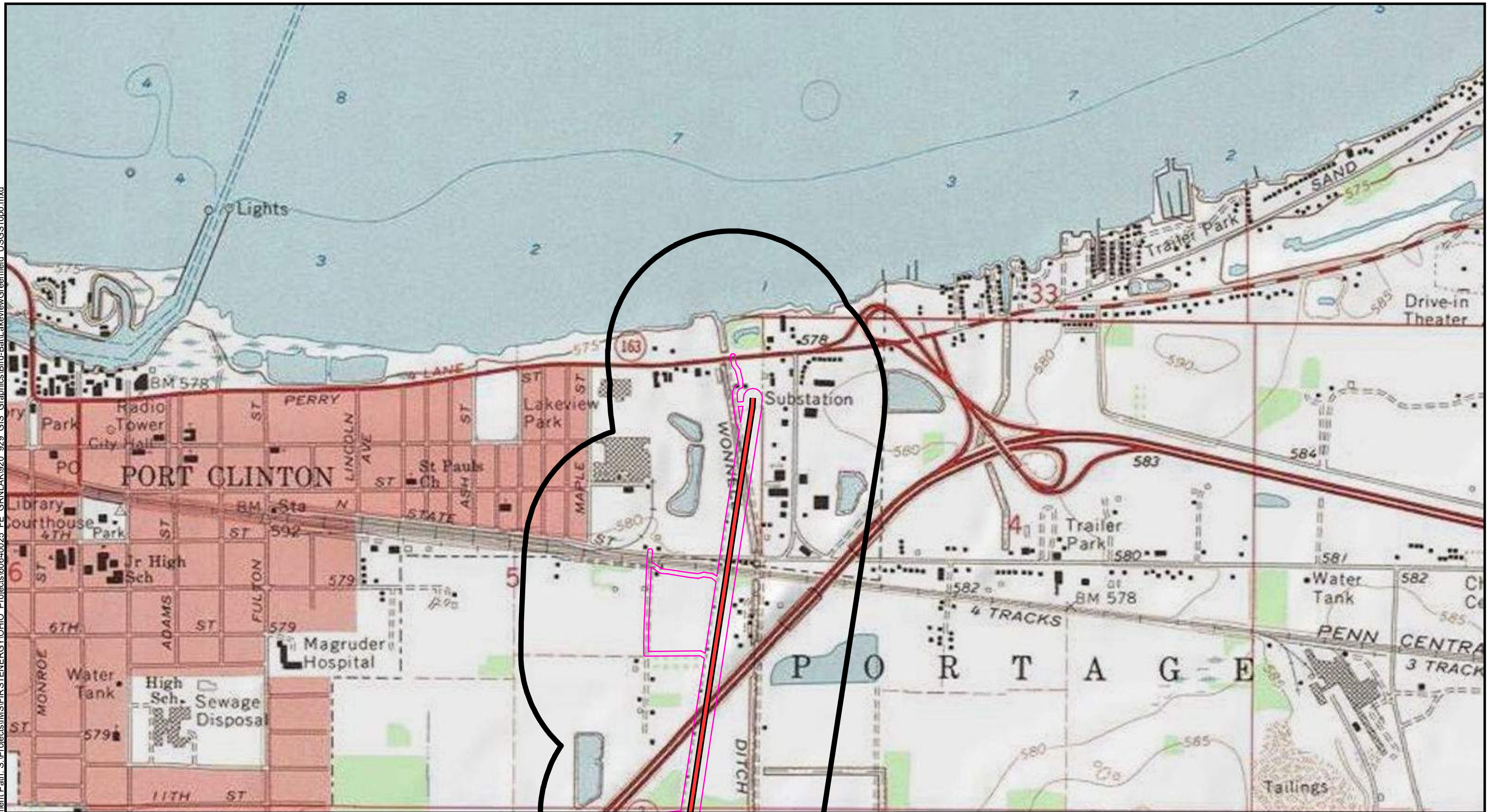
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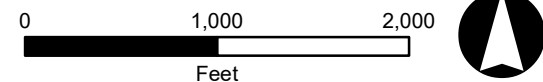
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- LEGEND
- Survey Area Quarter Mile Buffer
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  - Existing Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (Not Proposed for Rebuild)
  - Survey Boundary



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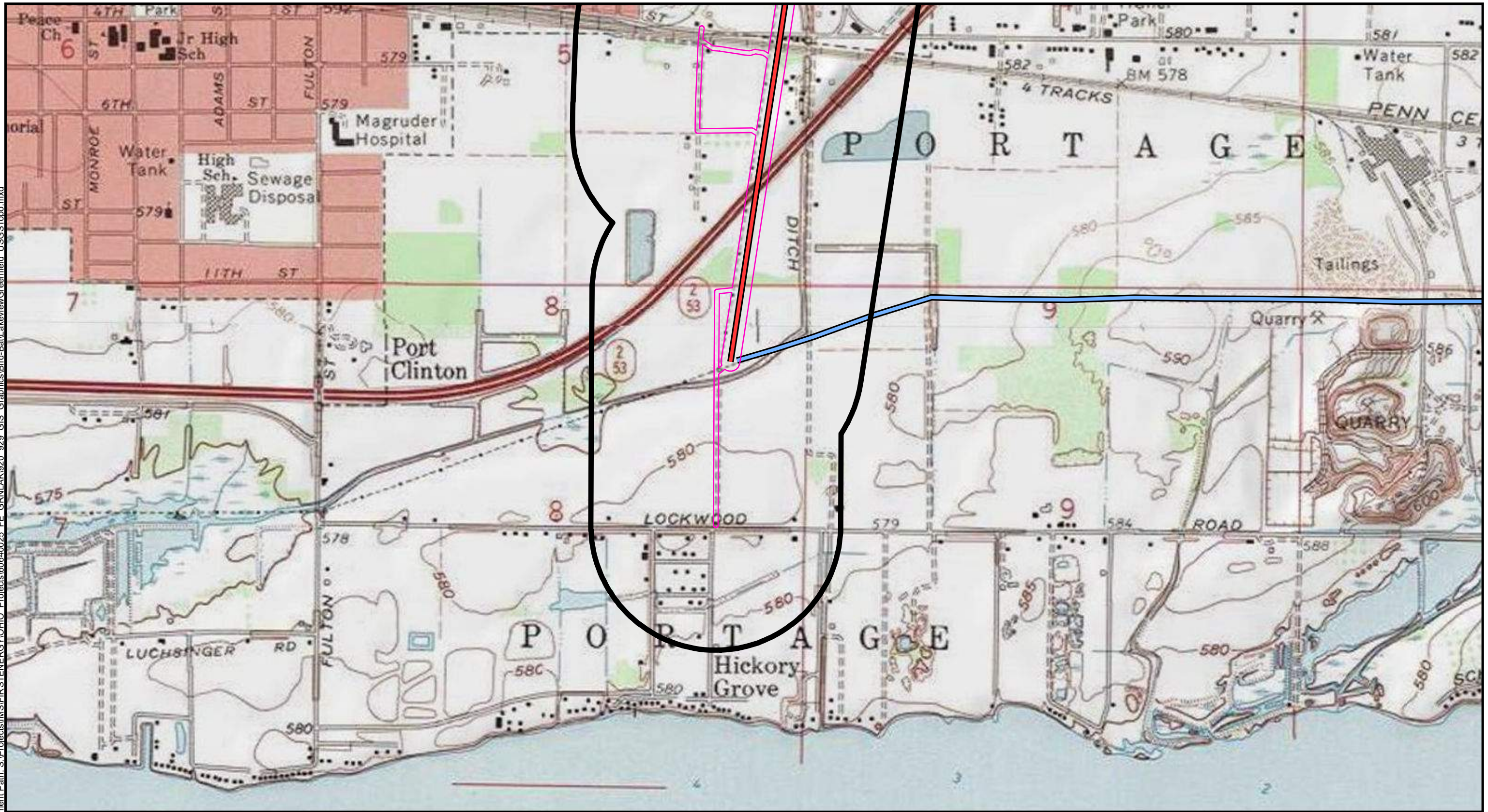
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- Survey Boundary

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- Survey Area Quarter Mile Buffer
- Proposed Rebuild of Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line
- Existing Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (Not Proposed for Rebuild)

- Survey Boundary
- Abandoned Underground Mine
- Active Industrial Minerals Surface Mine

**Abandoned Underground Mine Opening**

- Air Shaft
- Vertical Mine Shaft

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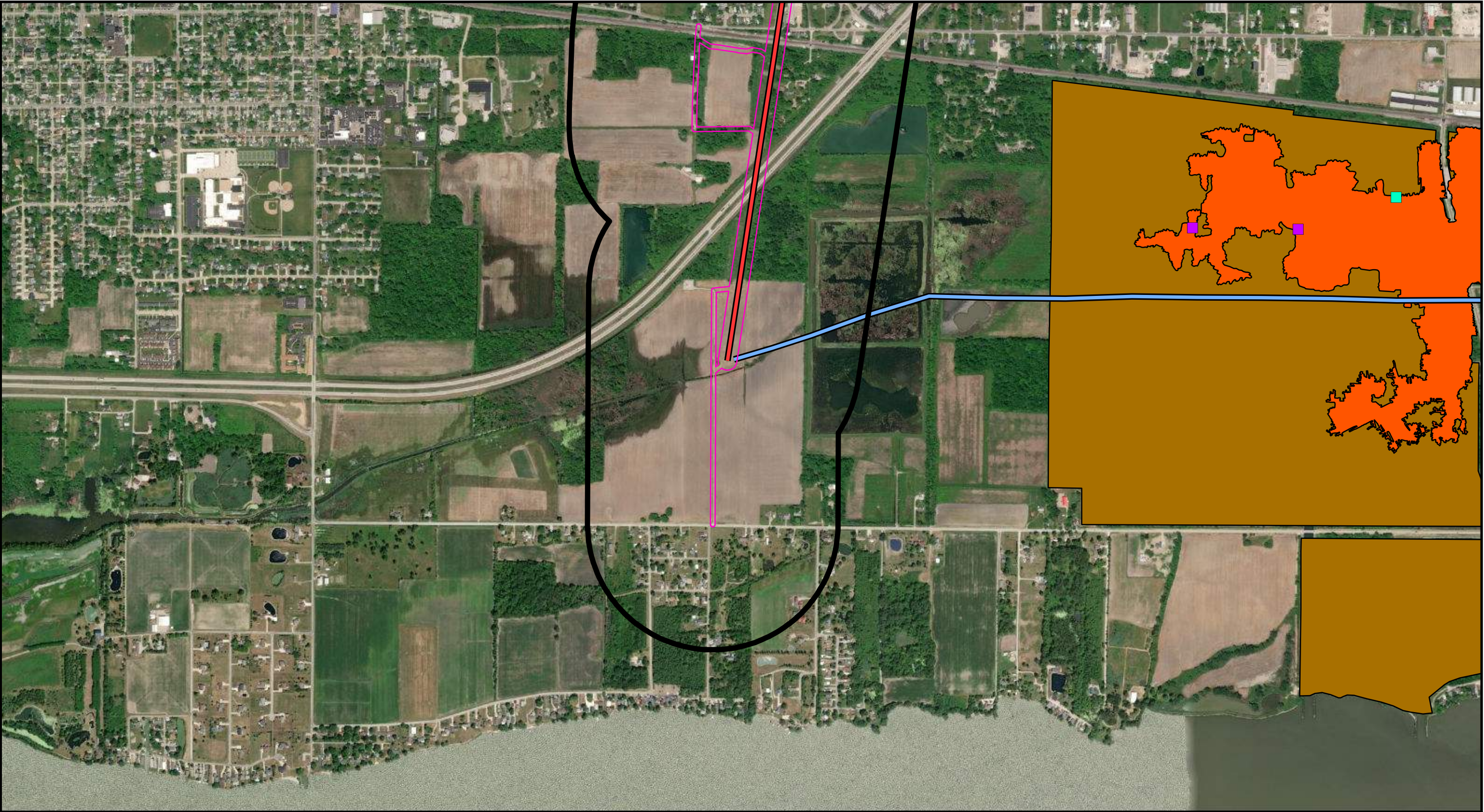
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	Survey Area Quarter Mile Buffer		Survey Boundary
	Proposed Rebuild of Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line		Abandoned Underground Mine
	Existing Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (Not Proposed for Rebuild)		Active Industrial Minerals Surface Mine

**Abandoned Underground Mine Opening**

	Air Shaft
	Vertical Mine Shaft

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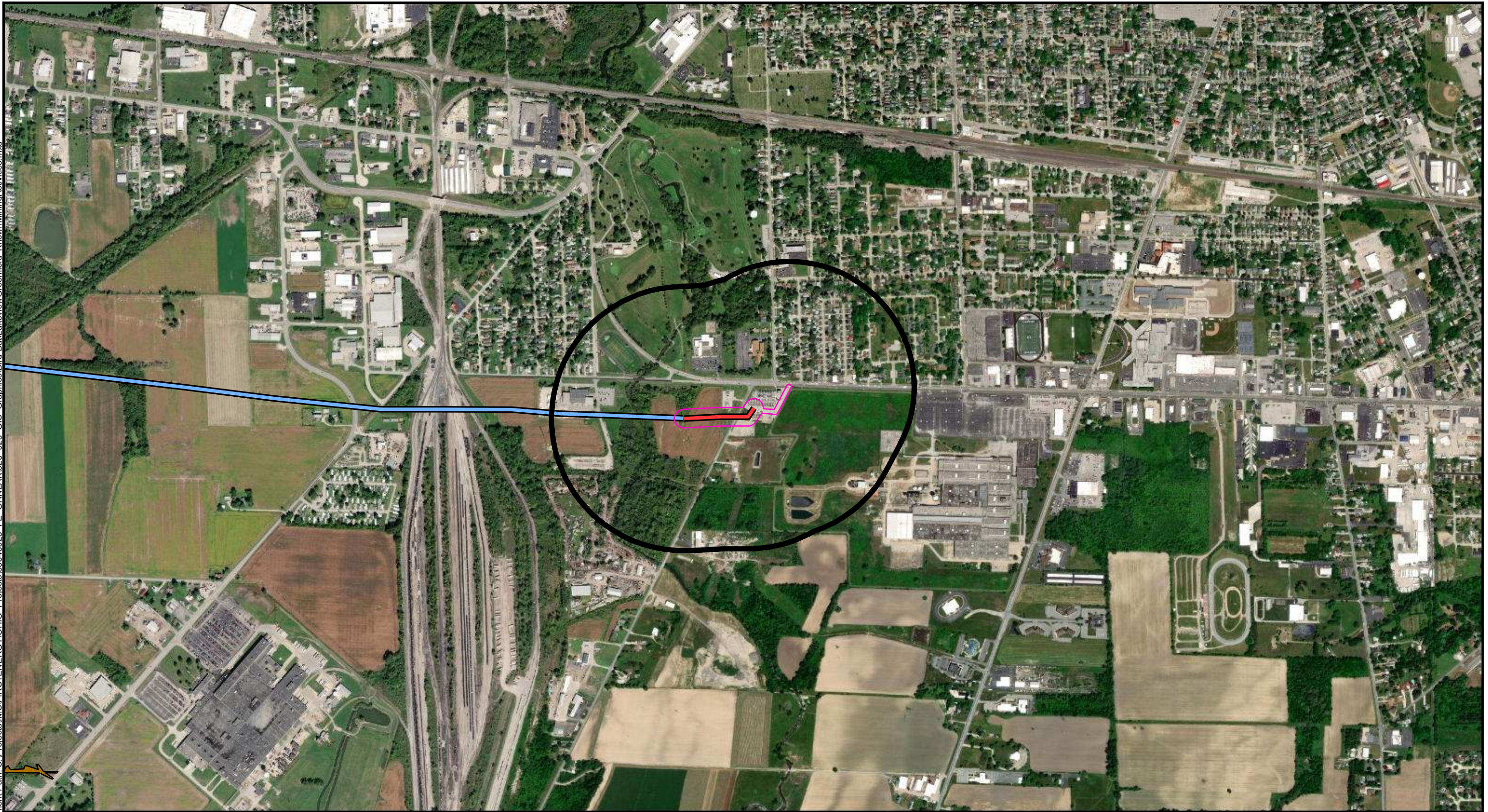
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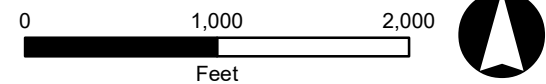


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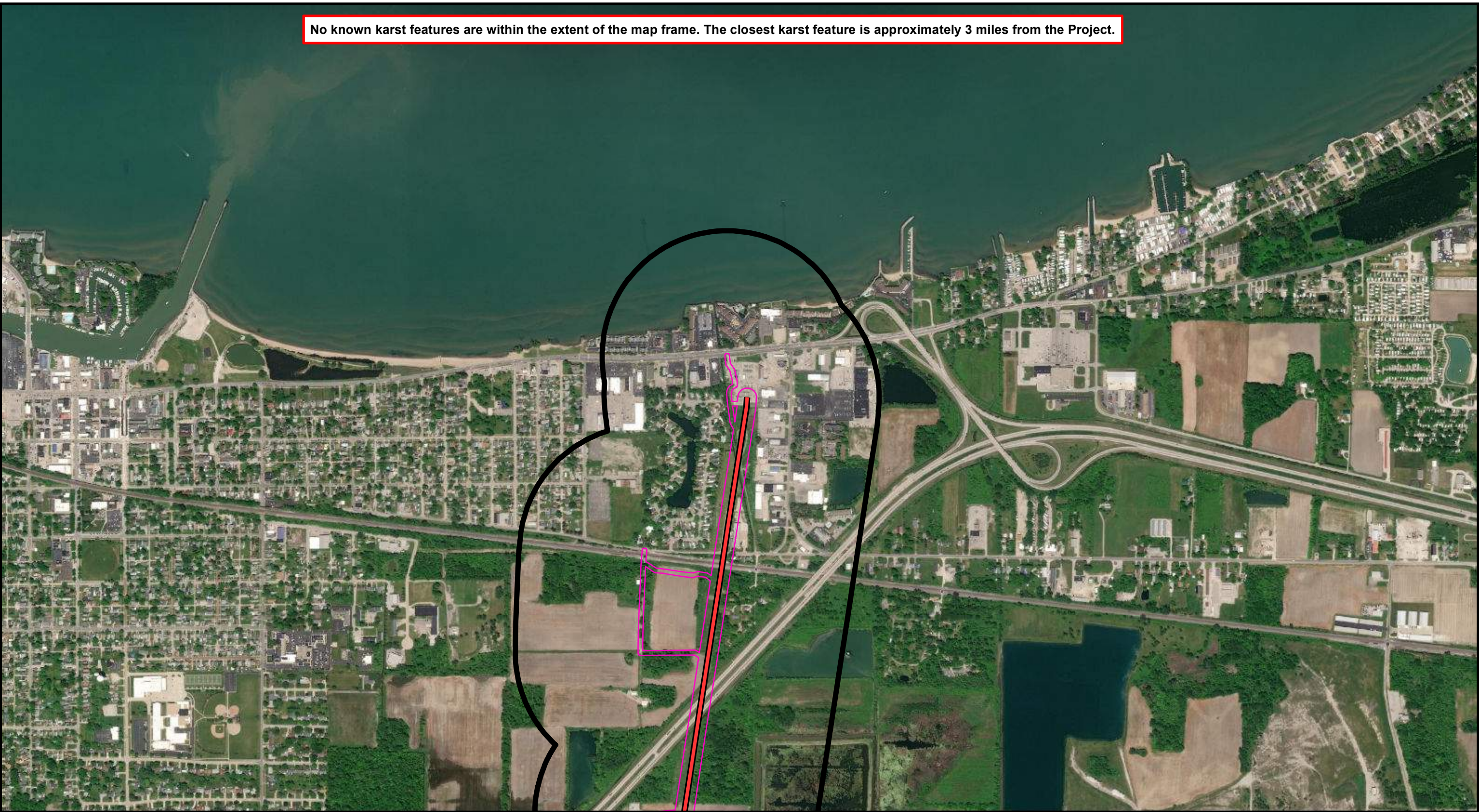


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**FIGURE 6**  
KARST GEOLOGY AND SINKHOLES MAP

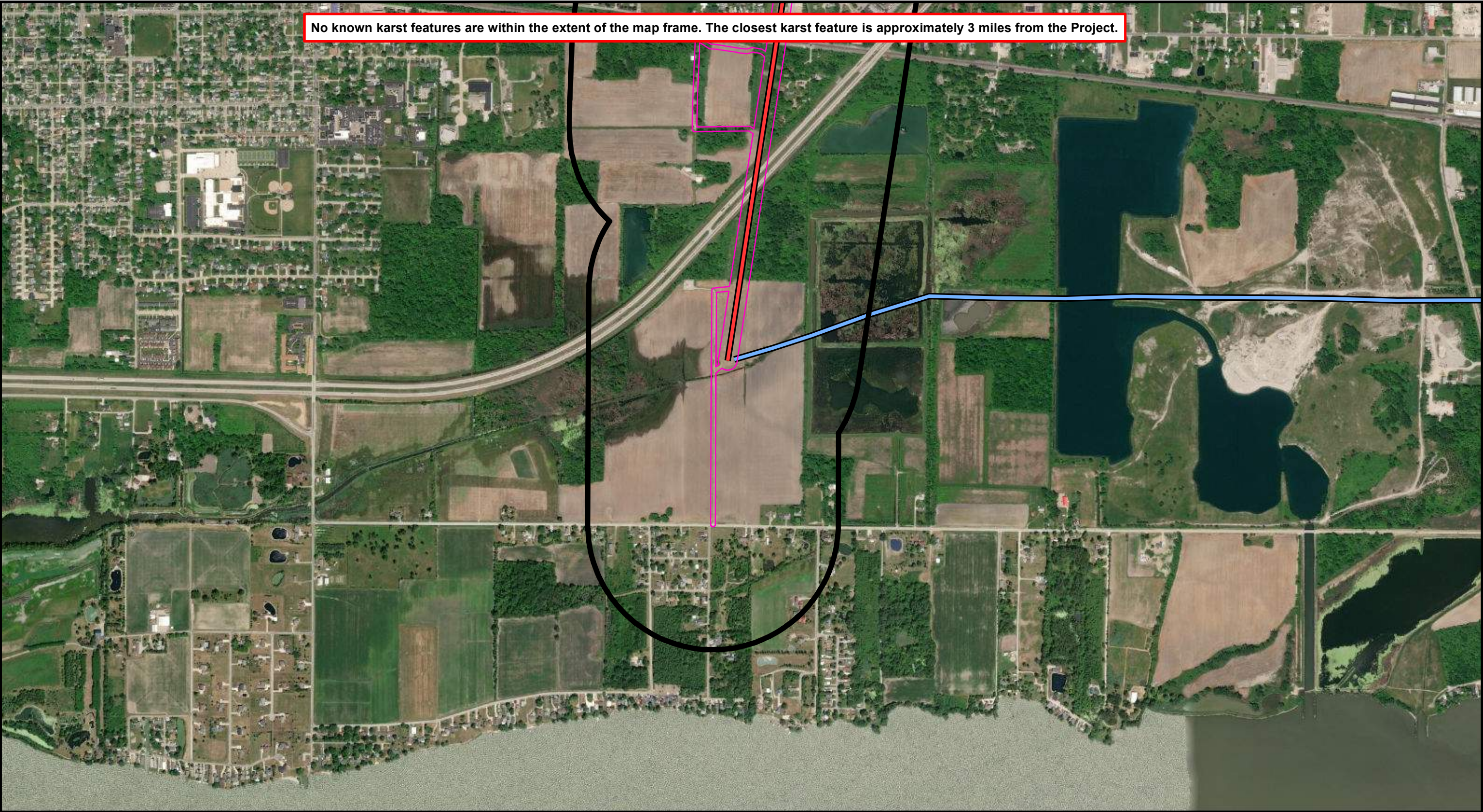
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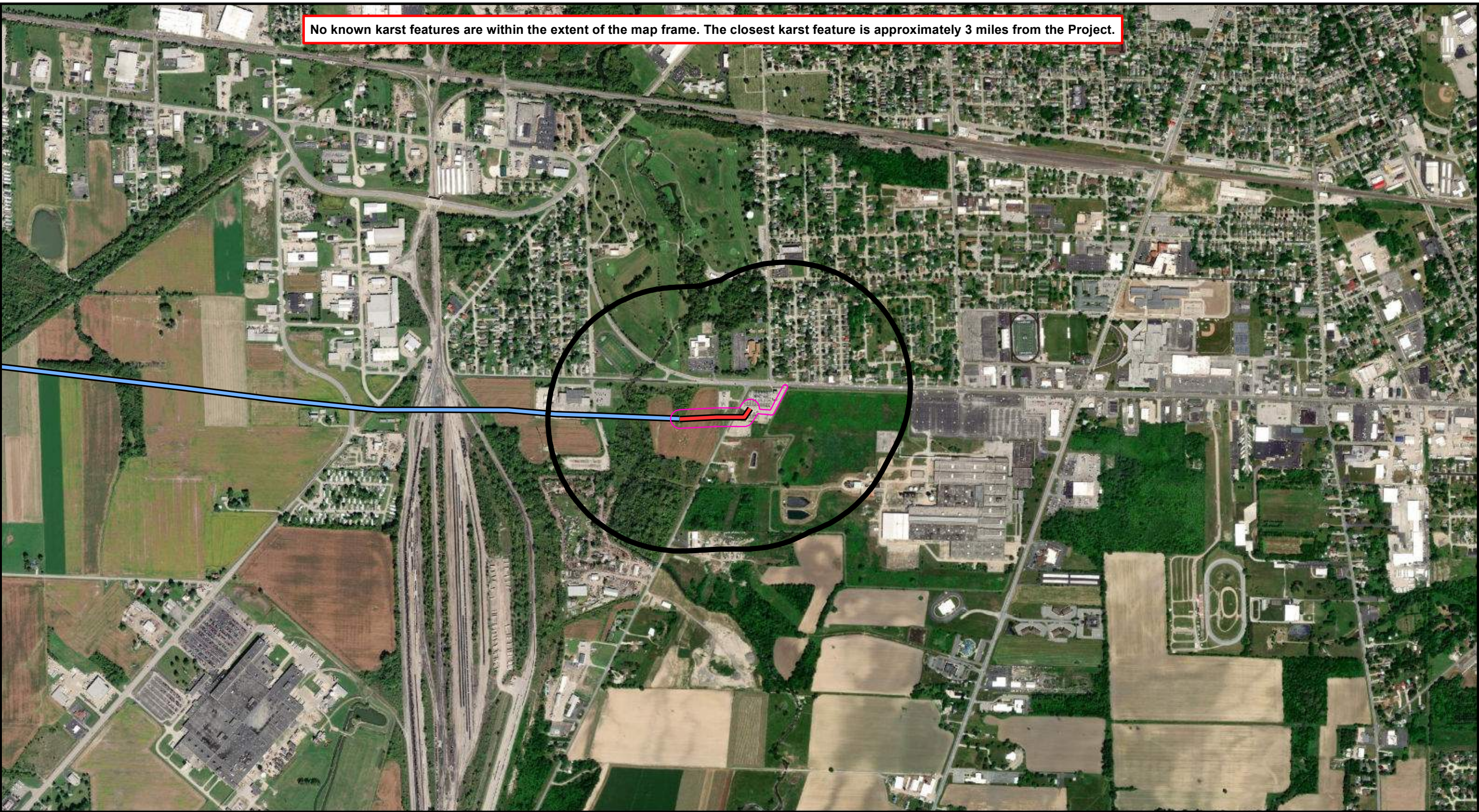
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## **APPENDIX B: QUALIFICATIONS**



# Sharon Farris

## Environmental Scientist

## Avian Management & Studies

### Education

A.A/ Environmental Studies/ Santa Barbara City College / 1998

B.A. / Cultural Anthropology/ University of California at Santa Barbara (Environmental Studies curriculum) 2001

### Years of Experience

16

### Certification

40-HR HAZWOPER  
Safeland Oil & Gas Training

### Specialized Training

2013 – Avian Power Line Interaction Committee (APLIC) Workshop - Spring and Fall)

2013 Poster Presentation at APLIC Spring Workshop – Avian Transmission Line Interaction Study and Bald Eagle Management Planning

2017 – APLIC Fall Workshop/Booth

### Summary

Ms. Farris has over 16 years of experience working as an Environmental Scientist in permitting and impact assessment with a specialty in protected avian species in the Northeast/Mid-Atlantic region. Ms. Farris fulfills a technical expert advisory role encompassing the regulatory and ecological aspects associated with avian issues. Experience includes multi-year, multi-species nesting studies, transmission line interaction studies, project avian protection plans, avian/wildlife monitoring, bald eagle management plans, best management practices, and agency consultation. Survey methodology used includes boat-based surveys on large reservoir systems, observation point, transect, carcass search, near miss, and risk assessment for power line interactions (collision and electrocution).

Transmission line avian interaction studies and project-specific avian protection plans for the protection of migratory birds were prepared in accordance with the Avian Power Line Interaction Committee (APLIC) manuals (*Suggested Practices for Avian Protection on Power Line* and *Mitigating Bird Collisions with Power Lines*). Ms. Farris regularly conducts threatened and endangered species review

and coordination and impact assessment in multiple states within the Northeast Region.

### Representative Project Experience

**Avian Technical Lead - Offshore Wind Projects – 2020 -Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, and New Jersey (Confidential Offshore Wind Clients)** – Preparation of technical documents and proposals including GAP analysis and critical issues analysis for onshore and offshore project elements with potential for impacts to avian species. These types of analyses involve numerous species and groups including waterfowl, wading birds, shorebirds, pelagic birds, gulls, raptors, and passerines.

**Lead Verifier – 2020 – Wallops Island Pier, Accomack County, Virginia (Confidential Federal Client)** – Technical oversight for federally-threatened Eastern Black Rail (*Laterallus jamaicensis jamaicensis*) for habitat assessment and survey. Provider of guidance for habitat assessment and survey methods, best management practices, and quality assurance for reporting.

**Avian Technical Lead – 2019 – Hudson River Drainage Chamber/Moodna Access Shaft (Catskill Aquaduct) - Dutchess and Orange Counties, NY** – Provided technical guidance including impact assessment, best management practices, and environmental assessment and USFWS consultation document preparation for Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), Golden Eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*), and Peregrine Falcon (*Falco peregrinus*). Assessment included incidental take assessment under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and New York Wildlife Code.

**Quality Control/Quality Assurance, Vegetation Management Database for Best Management Practices on Power Line Rights-of-Way (Confidential Electric Utility Client) – Eight Counties in New Jersey** – Quality control/assurance for development of database for best management practices for vegetation management on power line rights-of-way with documented threatened and endangered species. Species included multiple state and federal-listed avian species in coastal New Jersey.

**Technical Lead, Avian Species – 2016 & 2017 – 100-Mile Ethane Gas Pipeline, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia (Confidential O & G Client)** – Technical lead for studies and surveys of threatened/endangered avian species including Bald



Eagle, Northern Harrier, and Short-eared Owl (*Asio flammeus*). Technical lead tasks included preparation of work scopes, study/survey design, habitat assessment/delineation, survey crew training, regulatory contact, nest surveys, and survey plan/survey report submittal. Survey plans and surveys were conducted in accordance with protocols for each species.

**Technical Lead, Northern Harrier Presence/Absence Nest Surveys, Natural Gas Pipeline, Tioga and Lycoming Counties, PA (Confidential O & G client)** – Technical expert for survey design, agency coordination, habitat assessment/delineation, survey crew training, nest survey and reporting for Northern harrier nest surveys. Survey plans and surveys were conducted in accordance with the Pennsylvania Game Commission survey protocol for Northern harrier within Conservation Reserve grasslands.

**Survey Lead - 2014 Multi-Species Raptor Surveys for Multiple Transmission Line Rebuild and Upgrade Projects in Salem, Cape May, Burlington, Ocean, and Atlantic Counties, NJ (Atlantic City Electric, an Exelon Company)** – Task lead for raptor nest studies for six (6) projects comprising approximately 100 miles of transmission lines located in coastal New Jersey. Focal species were Bald Eagle, Barred Owl (*Strix varia*), Northern Harrier, Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*), Peregrine Falcon, and Red-shouldered Hawk (*Buteo lineatus*). Project-specific Avian Protection Plans were developed for each project.

**Technical Expert – 2013 – 2014 Osprey Nest Removal and Bald Eagle Nest Recommendations, Former Zinc Smelter Site, Monaca, Beaver County, Pennsylvania (Confidential O & G client)** – Technical Expert for regulatory guidance and assessment of two osprey nests located in electric utility towers on-site, as well as evaluation and project clearance for raptor species including Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, and Osprey. Recommendations were provided for Osprey nest removals under the authorization of PGC Special Use Permit.

**Survey Lead - 2010 Avian Transmission Line Interaction Survey – Muddy Run FERC Relicensing Studies, Southeast Pennsylvania and Northeast Maryland (Exelon)** – Task lead for avian transmission line interaction studies along a 4.25 mile power line ROW for the identification of species at-risk for potential electrocution and collision. Included study design, collection of avian abundance & use data, risk assessment for risk to raptor species, and identification of high risk/low risk areas and species.

**Survey Lead - 2010 & 2011 Osprey Nesting Surveys – Conowingo FERC Relicensing Studies, Southeast Pennsylvania and Northeast Maryland (Exelon)** – Task lead for boat-based and land-based osprey nesting studies on Conowingo Pond and Muddy Run Reservoir including nest survey and monitoring. Twelve nests and one alternate nest were identified and monitored during these surveys.

**Survey/Task Manager - 2010 & 2011 Black-crowned Night-heron Nesting Surveys – Conowingo FERC Relicensing Studies, Southeast Pennsylvania and Northeast Maryland (Exelon)** – Field crew lead and study report author for boat-based and land-based black-crowned night-heron nesting studies on Conowingo Pond. Data collected included habitat assessment and breeding/nest survey.

**Survey/Task Manager - 2011 & 2012 Bald Eagle Management Plan (BEMP) – FERC Relicensing – Southeast Pennsylvania (PA) and Northeast Maryland (MD)** – Preparation of BEMP for protection and enhancement of twelve bald eagle nests and seventeen communal roosts within an approximately 16,000 acre hydroelectric project area.

**Surveyor/Monitor – 2007 to 2016 - Bird and Wildlife Monitoring, RCRA Consent Order site, SE PA** – Ongoing bird, wildlife, and deterrence measure monitoring within a large reclaimed industrial area along the Delaware River. Focus was on waterfowl species using industrial ponds and passerines during migratory periods.

## Chronology

2007 – Present AECOM (formerly URS Corporation), Environmental Scientist  
2004 – 2006 Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC), Environmental Planner

## Memberships

The Wildlife Society of America  
American Ornithologist's Union (AOU)  
Raptor Research Foundation  
Association of Field Ornithologists  
Cape May Observatory/New Jersey Audubon  
American Birding Association



## **APPENDIX C: AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE**



## Miller, Brian

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**From:** Ohio, FW3 <ohio@fws.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2020 9:38 AM  
**To:** Miller, Brian  
**Cc:** Smith, Michelle (Cincinnati); Auggie Ruggiero  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] First Energy, Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Line Rebuild Ottawa and Erie County Ohio



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Ecological Services Office  
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(614) 416-8993 / Fax (614) 416-8994



TAILS# 03E15000-2021-TA-0119

Dear Mr. Miller,

We have received your recent correspondence regarding potential impacts to federally listed species in the vicinity of the above referenced project. There are no federal wilderness areas, wildlife refuges or designated critical habitat within the vicinity of the project area. We recommend that proposed activities minimize water quality impacts, including fill in streams and wetlands. Best management practices should be utilized to minimize erosion and sedimentation.

**FEDERALLY LISTED, PROPOSED, AND CANDIDATE SPECIES COMMENTS:** Due to the project type, size, location, and the proposed implementation of seasonal tree cutting (clearing of trees  $\geq 3$  inches diameter at breast height between October 1 and March 31) to avoid impacts to the federally listed endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and threatened northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), we do not anticipate adverse effects to any federally endangered, threatened, proposed or candidate species. Should the project design change, or during the term of this action, additional information on listed or proposed species or their critical habitat become available, or if new information reveals effects of the action that were not previously considered, consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) should be initiated to assess any potential impacts.

If there is a federal nexus for the project (e.g., federal funding provided, federal permits required to construct), no tree clearing should occur on any portion of the project area until consultation under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), between the Service and the federal action agency, is completed. We recommend that the federal action agency submit a determination of effects to this office, relative to the Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat, for our review and concurrence.

These comments have been prepared under the authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), ESA, and are consistent with the intent of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Service's Mitigation Policy. This letter provides technical assistance only and does not serve as a completed section 7 consultation document. We recommend that the project be coordinated with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources due to the potential for the project to affect state listed species and/or state lands. Contact Mike Pettegrew, Acting Environmental Services Administrator, at (614) 265-6387 or at [mike.pettegrew@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:mike.pettegrew@dnr.state.oh.us).



If you have questions, or if we can be of further assistance in this matter, please contact our office at (614) 416-8993 or [ohio@fws.gov](mailto:ohio@fws.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrice Ashfield". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "P" and a long, sweeping underline.

Patrice Ashfield  
Field Office Supervisor





# Ohio Department of Natural Resources

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November 24, 2020

Brian Miller  
AECOM  
525 Vine Street  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

**Re:** 20-945; Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line Rebuild Project

**Project:** The Project consists of the rebuild of 1.16 miles of an existing 138kV transmission line (two disconnected segments).

**Location:** The proposed project is located in Portage and Perkins Township, Ottawa and Erie Counties, Ohio.

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) has completed a review of the above referenced project. These comments were generated by an inter-disciplinary review within the Department. These comments have been prepared under the authority of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (48 Stat. 401, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq.), the National Environmental Policy Act, the Coastal Zone Management Act, Ohio Revised Code and other applicable laws and regulations. These comments are also based on ODNR's experience as the state natural resource management agency and do not supersede or replace the regulatory authority of any local, state or federal agency nor relieve the applicant of the obligation to comply with any local, state or federal laws or regulations.

**Natural Heritage Database:** The Natural Heritage Database has the following records at or within a one-mile radius of the project area:

Schweinitz' umbrella-sedge (*Cyperus schweinitzii*), T  
Eastern pondmussel (*Ligumia nasuta*), E  
Black sandshell (*Ligumia recta*), T  
Threehorn wartyback (*Obliquaria reflexa*), T  
Round pigtoe (*Pleurobema sintoxia*), SC  
Salamander mussel (*Simpsonaias ambigua*), SC  
Fawnsfoot (*Truncilla donaciformis*), T  
Eastern foxsnake (*Pantherophis vulpinus*), SC  
Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve – City of Port Clinton

The review was performed on the project area you specified in your request as well as an additional one-mile radius. Records searched date from 1980. This information is provided to inform you of features present within your project area and vicinity.



Please note that Ohio has not been completely surveyed and we rely on receiving information from many sources. Therefore, a lack of records for any particular area is not a statement that rare species or unique features are absent from that area. Although all types of plant communities have been surveyed, we only maintain records on the highest quality areas.

Statuses are defined as: E = state endangered; T = state threatened; P = state potentially threatened; SC = state species of concern; SI = state special interest; A = species recently added to state inventory, status not yet determined; X = presumed extirpated in Ohio; FE = federal endangered, FT = federal threatened, FSC = federal species of concern, FC = federal candidate species.

**Fish and Wildlife:** The Division of Wildlife (DOW) has the following comments.

The DOW recommends that impacts to streams, wetlands and other water resources be avoided and minimized to the fullest extent possible, and that best management practices be utilized to minimize erosion and sedimentation.

The Ottawa County portion of the project is within the vicinity of records for the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a state endangered and federally threatened species, and the little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*), a state endangered species. The Erie County portion of the project is within the vicinity of records for the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), a state endangered and federally endangered species. Because presence of state endangered bat species has been established in the area, summer tree cutting is not recommended, and additional summer surveys would not constitute presence/absence in the area. However, limited summer tree cutting inside this buffer may be acceptable after further consultation with DOW (contact Sarah Stankavich, [sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us)).

In addition, the entire state of Ohio is within the range of the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), a state endangered and federally endangered species, the northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a state endangered and federally threatened species, the little brown bat (*Myotis lucifugus*), a state endangered species, and the tricolored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*), a state endangered species. During the spring and summer (April 1 through September 30), these bat species predominately roost in trees behind loose, exfoliating bark, in crevices and cavities, or in the leaves. However, these species are also dependent on the forest structure surrounding roost trees. The DOW recommends tree cutting only occur from October 1 through March 31, conserving trees with loose, shaggy bark and/or crevices, holes, or cavities, as well as trees with DBH  $\geq$  20 if possible.

The DOW also recommends that a desktop habitat assessment, followed by a field assessment if needed, is conducted to determine if there are potential hibernaculum(a) present within the project area. Information about how to conduct habitat assessments can be found in the current USFWS “Range-wide Indiana Bat Survey Guidelines.” If a habitat assessment finds that potential hibernacula are present within 0.25 miles of the project area, please send this information to Sarah Stankavich, [sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:sarah.stankavich@dnr.state.oh.us) for project recommendations. If a potential or known hibernaculum is found, the DOW recommends a 0.25-mile tree cutting and subsurface disturbance buffer around the hibernaculum entrance, however, limited summer or winter tree cutting may be acceptable after consultation with DOW. If no tree cutting or subsurface impacts to a hibernaculum are proposed, this project is not likely to impact these species.

The project is within the range of the following listed mussel species:



State Endangered

eastern pondmussel (*Ligumia nasuta*)

State Threatened

black sandshell (*Ligumia recta*)

fawnsfoot (*Truncilla donaciformis*)

threehorn wartyback (*Obliquaria reflexa*)

Due to the location, and that there is no in-water work proposed in a perennial stream of sufficient size, this project is not likely to impact these species.

The project is within the range of the following listed fish species:

State Endangered

lake sturgeon (*Acipenser fulvescens*)

cisco (*Coregonus artedii*)

longnose sucker (*Catostomus catostomus*)

pugnose minnow (*Opsopoeodus emiliae*)

spotted gar (*Lepisosteus oculatus*)

western banded killifish (*Fundulus diaphanus menona*)

State Threatened

American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*)

channel darter (*Percina copelandi*)

greater redhorse (*Moxostoma valenciennesi*)

The DOW recommends no in-water work in perennial streams from April 15 through June 30 to reduce impacts to indigenous aquatic species and their habitat. If no in-water work is proposed in a perennial stream, this project is not likely to impact these or other aquatic species.

The project is within the range of the eastern massasauga (*Sistrurus catenatus*), a state endangered and a federally threatened snake species. The eastern massasauga uses a range of habitats including wet prairies, fens, and other wetlands, as well as drier upland habitat. Due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the Blanding's turtle (*Emydoidea blandingii*), a state threatened species. This species inhabits marshes, ponds, lakes, streams, wet meadows, and swampy forests. Although essentially aquatic, the Blanding's turtle will travel over land as it moves from one wetland to the next. Due to the location, the type of habitat within the project area, and the type of work proposed, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the American bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*), a state endangered bird. Nesting bitterns prefer large undisturbed wetlands that have scattered small pools amongst dense vegetation. They occasionally occupy bogs, large wet meadows, and dense shrubby swamps. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.



The project is within the range of the black-crowned night-heron (*Nycticorax nycticorax*), a state-threatened bird. Night-herons are so named because they are nocturnal, conducting most of their foraging in the evening hours or at night, and roost in trees near wetlands and waterbodies during the day. Night herons are migratory and are typically found in Ohio from April 1 through December 1 but can be found in more urbanized areas with reliable food sources year-round. Black-crowned night-herons primarily forage in wetlands and other shallow aquatic habitats, and roost in trees nearby. These night-herons nest in small trees, saplings, shrubs, or sometimes on the ground, near bodies of water and wetlands. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the black tern (*Chlidonias niger*), a state endangered bird. The black tern prefers large, undisturbed inland marshes with fairly dense vegetation and pockets of open water. They nest in various kinds of marsh vegetation but cattail marshes are generally favored. Nests are built on top of muskrat houses or on top of floating vegetation. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat from April 1 to June 30 to reduce impacts to this species. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the cattle egret (*Bubulcus ibis*), a state endangered bird. Cattle egrets are not strictly wetland birds. They often forage in dry pastures and fields. Egrets nest in colonies and will build a nest out of sticks and other materials wherever it can be supported. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 15 to August 15. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the common tern (*Sterna hirundo*), a state endangered bird. The preferred nesting sites of common terns are natural or man-made islands that are free of mammalian predators and human disturbance. They will also utilize mainland beaches and dredge disposal areas but only when islands are unavailable. The common tern nests in colonies. Their eggs are laid in a grass-lined depression in the sand. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to August 1. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the king rail (*Rallus elegans*), a state endangered bird. Nests for this species are deep bowls constructed out of grass and usually hidden very well in marsh vegetation. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to August 1. If no wetland habitat will be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the least bittern (*Ixobrychus exilis*), a state threatened bird. This secretive marsh species prefers dense emergent wetlands with thick stands of cattails, sedges, sawgrass or other semiaquatic vegetation interspersed with woody vegetation and open water. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 1 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the northern harrier (*Circus hudsonis*), a state endangered bird. This is a common migrant and winter species. Nesters are much rarer, although they occasionally breed in large marshes and grasslands. Harriers often nest in loose colonies. The female builds a



nest out of sticks on the ground, often on top of a mound. Harriers hunt over grasslands. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of May 15 to August 1. If this habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

The project is within the range of the sandhill crane (*Grus canadensis*), a state threatened species. Sandhill cranes are primarily a wetland-dependent species. On their wintering grounds, they will utilize agricultural fields; however, they roost in shallow, standing water or moist bottomlands. On breeding grounds they require a rather large tract of wet meadow, shallow marsh, or bog for nesting. If grassland, prairie, or wetland habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 1 to September 1. If this habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to have an impact on this species.

The project is within the range of the trumpeter swan (*Cygnus buccinator*), a state threatened bird. Trumpeter swans prefer large marshes and lakes ranging in size from 40 to 150 acres. They like shallow wetlands one to three feet deep with a diverse mix of plenty of emergent and submergent vegetation and open water. If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 15 to June 15. If this habitat will not be impacted, this project is not likely to have an impact on this species.

The project is within the range of the upland sandpiper (*Bartramia longicauda*), a state endangered bird. Nesting upland sandpipers utilize dry grasslands including native grasslands, seeded grasslands, grazed and ungrazed pasture, hayfields, and grasslands established through the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). If this type of habitat will be impacted, construction should be avoided in this habitat during the species' nesting period of April 15 to July 31. If this type of habitat will not be impacted, the project is not likely to impact this species.

Due to the potential of impacts to federally listed species, as well as to state listed species, we recommend that this project be coordinated with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

**Water Resources:** The Division of Water Resources has the following comment.

The local floodplain administrator should be contacted concerning the possible need for any floodplain permits or approvals for this project. Your local floodplain administrator contact information can be found at the website below.

[http://water.ohiodnr.gov/portals/soilwater/pdf/floodplain/Floodplain%20Manager%20Community%20Contact%20List\\_8\\_16.pdf](http://water.ohiodnr.gov/portals/soilwater/pdf/floodplain/Floodplain%20Manager%20Community%20Contact%20List_8_16.pdf)

ODNR appreciates the opportunity to provide these comments. Please contact Sarah Tebbe, Environmental Specialist, at (614) 265-6397 or [Sarah.Tebbe@dnr.state.oh.us](mailto:Sarah.Tebbe@dnr.state.oh.us) if you have questions about these comments or need additional information.

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## **APPENDIX D: PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG**



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<b>Photo No. 1</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 17, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 1  Access road entrance to the existing Lakeview Substation. Small areas of mowed grass present between sidewalks and urban developments.  Facing East	

<b>Photo No. 2</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 17, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 1  Access road entrance to the existing Lakeview Substation. Small areas of mowed grass present between sidewalks and urban developments.  Facing West	





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<b>Photo No. 3</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 2  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by a mix of upland old field and PEM wetlands. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.  Facing East	

<b>Photo No. 4</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 2  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by a mix of upland old field and PEM wetlands. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.  Facing West	



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<b>Photo No. 5</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 3  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by a mix of upland old field and PEM wetlands. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.	

<b>Photo No. 6</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 3  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by a mix of upland old field and PEM wetlands. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.  Facing South	



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<b>Photo No. 7</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 4  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by residential upland fields and small PEM wetland pockets. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.  Facing North	

<b>Photo No. 8</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 4  Existing electric right-of-way dominated by residential upland fields and small PEM wetland pockets. ROW is surrounded by residential properties to the west and local industry to the east.  Facing South	





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<b>Photo No. 9</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 5  PEM wetland located between East State Street to the north and an existing railroad right-of-way to the south. Area is mowed by a residential property owner.  Facing West	

<b>Photo No. 10</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 5  PEM wetland located between East State Street to the north and an existing railroad right-of-way to the south. Area is mowed by a residential property owner.  Facing East	




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<b>Photo No. 11</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 6  View of a wetland complex (Wetland LO-09) located within the existing electric right-of-way. The wetland has a PUB section that is surrounded by both PEM and PSS wetland types.  Facing North	

<b>Photo No. 12</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 6  View of a wetland complex (Wetland LO-09) located within the existing electric right-of-way. The wetland here is primarily PEM and surrounded by PSS and PUB wetland types.  Facing East	



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<b>Photo No. 13</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 7  View of a wetland complex (Wetland LO-09) located within the existing electric right-of-way. The wetland has a PUB section that is surrounded by both PEM and PSS wetland types.  Facing East	

<b>Photo No. 14</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 7  View of a wetland complex (Wetland LO-09) located within the existing electric right-of-way. The wetland here is primarily PEM and surrounded by PSS and PUB wetland types.  Facing North	



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<b>Photo No. 15</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 8  Intermittent watercourse separates a wetland complex to the north (Wetland LO-09) and an agricultural field to the south.  Facing West	

<b>Photo No. 16</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> January 14, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 8  Intermittent watercourse separates a wetland complex to the north (Wetland LO-09) and an agricultural field to the south.  Facing East	



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<b>Photo No. 17</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b>  October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 9  A small PEM wetland (Wetland LO-10) is located adjacent Highway 2 and an agricultural field to the north.  Facing North	

<b>Photo No. 18</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b>  October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 9  A small PEM wetland (Wetland LO-10) is located adjacent Highway 2 and an agricultural field to the north.  Facing South	



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<b>Photo No. 19</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b>  October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 10  View of the transition between a PEM/PSS wetland complex to the north (Wetland LO-12) and an agricultural field to the south. Wetland is within the existing electric right-of-way and is surrounded by PFO wetland.  Facing North	

<b>Photo No. 20</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b>  October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 10  View of the transition between a PEM/PSS wetland complex to the north (Wetland LO-12) and an agricultural field to the south.  Facing South	



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<b>Photo No. 21</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 17, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 11  Agricultural field that is crossed by a PEM agricultural swale (Wetland LO-13).  Facing South	

<b>Photo No. 22</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 17, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 11  Agricultural field that is crossed by a PEM agricultural swale (Wetland LO-13).  Facing West	



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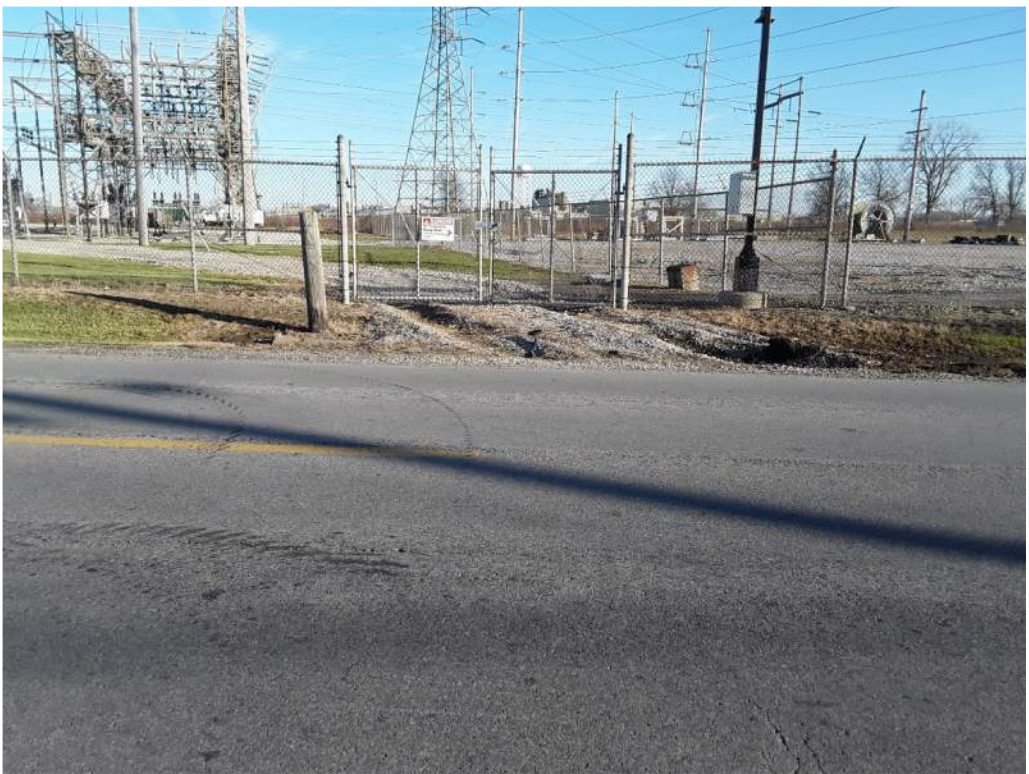
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<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 12  Existing access road used for access to the existing agricultural fields and an existing cellular tower site.  Facing East	

<b>Photo No. 24</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 17, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 12  Existing access road used for access to the existing agricultural fields and an existing cellular tower site.  Facing West	



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<b>Photo No. 25</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 18, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 13  Access to the existing Greenfield Substation from Old Railroad Road.  Facing South	

<b>Photo No. 26</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 18, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 13  Access to the existing Greenfield Substation from Old Railroad Road.  Facing East	




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<b>Photo No. 27</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 14  View of the existing electric right-of-way adjacent to the Greenfield Substation. Fields are primarily used for agriculture and includes a small PEM wetland (Wetland LG-01).  Facing North	

<b>Photo No. 28</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> October 7, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 14  View of the existing electric right-of-way adjacent to the Greenfield Substation. Fields are primarily used for agriculture and includes a small PEM wetland (Wetland LG-01).  Facing West	



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<b>Photo No. 29</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 18, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 15  Access to the existing Greenfield Substation from West Perkins Avenue.  Facing West	

<b>Photo No. 30</b>	
<b>Date/Location:</b> November 18, 2020	
<b>Description:</b>  Photo Location 15  Access to the existing Greenfield Substation from West Perkins Avenue.  Facing South	




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Exhibit 9

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Hi Brian

Please see response below from our DOW. Thanks!

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Mike,

The DOW concurs with the determination for the winter bat hibernaculum assessment, as well as for the listed bird species. Specifically, the DOW concurs that the avoidance/minimization measures proposed for the upland sandpiper, the least bittern, and the black-crowned night heron are sufficient in minimizing impacts to these species during the nesting period. Suitable



nesting habitat for other listed bird species is not present within the project area, and therefore, these species are not likely to be impacted by this project. If there are any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,  
Nathan



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Sarah T., Sarah S., and Mike P.

AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM), on behalf of ATSI, is providing additional information regarding completed habitat assessments, avoidance measures, and ATSI adherence to the recommendations received from environmental review completed by your agency (**ODNR Review Number: 20-943**) as part of the **Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line Project**. As a result, attached is a copy of the completed **Bird Habitat Assessment and Desktop Assessment for Winter Bat Habitat Report**.

If you need anything else, please let me know.

Thank you,

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**LIST OF ACRONYMS and ABBREVIATIONS**

ATSI	American Transmission Systems, Inc.
DBH	Diameter at Breast Height
°F	Degree Fahrenheit
FAC	Facultative
FACU	Facultative Upland
FACW	Facultative Wetland
GPS	Global Positioning System
HHEI	Headwater Habitat Evaluation Index
IBI	Index of Biotic Integrity
KV	Kilovolts
NRCS	Natural Resources Conservation Service
NWI	National Wetlands Inventory
NWP	Nationwide Permit
OAC	Ohio Administrative Code
OBL	Obligate Wetland
OEPA	Ohio Environmental Protection Agency
OHWM	Ordinary High Water Mark
ORAM	Ohio Rapid Assessment Method
PAB	Palustrine Aquatic Bed
PEM	Palustrine Emergent
PML	Palustrine Moss-Lichen
PFO	Palustrine Forested
PHWH	Primary Headwater Habitat
PSS	Palustrine Scrub/Shrub
PUB	Palustrine Unconsolidated Bottom
PUS	Palustrine Unconsolidated Shore
PRB	Palustrine Rock Bottom
QHEI	Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index
ROW	Right-Of-Way
UPL	Upland
U.S.	United States
USACE	United States Army Corps of Engineers
USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
USGS	United States Geological Survey
WWH	Warmwater Habitat



**1.0 INTRODUCTION**

American Transmission Systems, Incorporated (ATSI), a FirstEnergy company, is planning to rebuild the Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (Project) in Ottawa and Erie Counties, Ohio. The Project includes the rebuild of approximately 1.6 miles of the existing Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line (two disconnected segments), in Portage Township, Ottawa County and Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio. The first segment is a one mile rebuild of the existing transmission line starting at the Lakeview Substation and terminating at Structure 1397 in Portage Township, Ottawa County, Ohio. The second segment is 0.16-mile rebuild of the existing transmission line that originates at the Greenfield Substation and terminates at Structure 1316 in Perkins Township, Erie County, Ohio. The Project is located on Port Clinton, Vickery, and Sandusky, Ohio U.S. Geologic Survey 7.5" topographic quadrangle (Appendix A, Figure 1 – Agency Overview Map).

The Project is designed to be predominately within the existing maintained transmission line right-of-way (ROW) located mostly within active agricultural fields. Ancillary areas such as pull sites, turn arounds, laydown yards, and access roads have not been fully identified at this time. However, ATSI plans to utilize existing access roads and travel lanes within the existing maintained ROW, to the extent practicable. The Project is not expected to require substantial clearing of forested habitat, although some trimming and minimal clearing for access roads, incremental ROW widening, potential reroutes, and maintenance along the existing ROW may be necessary. In order to mitigate for potential effects to state and federal listed bat species, ATSI intends to clear trees between October 1st and March 31st to avoid impacts to the species.

On behalf of ATSI, AECOM completed the wetland delineation and stream assessment on January 14 through 17, and October 7, 2020. The extent of the wetland delineation and stream assessment conducted by AECOM is defined throughout this Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report as the AECOM survey area. The survey area completed by AECOM includes a 100-ft offset of the proposed transmission lines and 50-ft corridor centered along proposed temporary access roads.

The portion of the Project, in Ottawa County, drains directly into Lake Erie and Sandusky Bay as well as Wonnell Ditch that is connected to both Lake Erie and Sandusky Bay, which is associated with the Portage River Drainage Basin. The portion within Erie County, drains towards the western direction and eventually into Mills Creek, which is associated with the Sandusky River Drainage Basin. Under the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Chapter 3745-1 aquatic life habitat use designation lists Mills Creek as a Warmwater Habitat (WWH). However, Wonnell Ditch and/or unnamed tributaries to Lake Erie are not listed within the Portage River Drainage Basin (State of Ohio 2018).

As per the Section 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) for Nationwide Permit and Stream Eligibility Web Map website (Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA)), the Project is located within an Eligible area and impacts to streams, if required, could be authorized by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) under the Nationwide Permit Conditions.



The Ottawa County portion of the Project is situated within both North Side Sandusky Bay [Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 041000111405] and Lacarpe Creek-Frontal Lake (HUC: 041000100503). Additionally, the Erie County portion of the Project is within Mills Creek (HUC: 041000110103). According to the OEPA 2020 Ohio Integrated Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment, the Project area is divided into two watershed reports, which include the Portage River and Toussaint River as well as Sandusky River and Sandusky Bay Tributaries (OEPA 2020).

## **2.0 METHODOLOGY**

Prior to conducting field surveys, digital and published county Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soil surveys, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetland Inventory (NWI) maps, and USGS 7.5-minute topographic maps were reviewed as an exercise to identify the occurrence and location of potential wetland areas (Figure 2). The purpose of the field survey was to assess whether wetlands and other “waters of the U.S.” are present within the Project’s survey area, which consisted of a 100-ft offset of the proposed transmission lines and 50-ft corridor centered along access roads (Figures 2 and 3).

AECOM ecologists walked the AECOM Survey Area, access roads, and work areas to conduct a wetland delineation and stream assessment. During the field survey, the physical boundaries of observed water features, if identified, were recorded using sub-meter capable Trimble Global Positioning System (GPS) units. The GPS data was imported into ArcMap GIS software, where the data was then reviewed and edited for accuracy.

### **2.1 WETLAND DELINEATION**

The AECOM survey area was evaluated according to the procedures outlined in the USACE *1987 Wetland Delineation Manual (1987 Manual)* (Environmental Laboratory, 1987) and the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region (Version 2.0) (Regional Supplement)* (USACE 2012). The Regional Supplement was released in August 2010 by the USACE to address regional wetland characteristics and improve the accuracy and efficiency of wetland delineation procedures. The *1987 Manual and Regional Supplement* define wetlands as areas that have positive evidence of three environmental parameters: hydric soils, wetland hydrology, and hydrophytic vegetation. Wetland boundaries are placed where one or more of these parameters give way to upland characteristics.

Since quantitative data were not available for any of the identified wetlands, AECOM utilized the routine delineation method described in the *1987 Manual and Regional Supplement* that consisted of a pedestrian site reconnaissance, including identifying the vegetation communities, soils identification, a geomorphologic assessment of hydrology, and notation of disturbance. The methodology used to examine each parameter is described in the following sections.



Land uses observed within the AECOM survey area were assigned a general classification based upon the principal land characteristics of the location as observed through aerial photography review and observations during the field surveys.

### **2.1.1 Soils**

Soils were examined for hydric soil characteristics using a spade shovel to extract soil samples. A *Munsell Soil Color Chart* (Kollmorgen Corporation 2010) was used to identify the hue, value, and chroma of the matrix and mottles of the soils. Generally, mottled soils with a matrix chroma of two or less, or unmottled soils with a matrix chroma of one or less are considered to exhibit hydric soil characteristics (Environmental Laboratory 1987). In sandy soils, mottled soils with a matrix chroma of three or less, or unmottled soils with a matrix chroma of two or less are considered to be hydric soils.

### **2.1.2 Hydrology**

The *1987 Manual* requires that an area be inundated or saturated to the surface for an absolute minimum of five percent of the growing season (areas saturated between five percent and 12.5 percent of the growing season may or may not be wetlands, while areas saturated over 12.5 percent of the growing season fulfill the hydrology requirements for wetlands). The *Regional Supplement* states that the growing season dates are determined through onsite observations of the following indicators of biological activity in a given year: (1) above-ground growth and development of vascular plants, and/or (2) soil temperature (12-in. depth) is 41 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) or higher as an indicator of soil microbial activity. Therefore, the beginning of the growing season in a given year is indicated by whichever condition occurs earlier, and the end of the growing season by whichever persists later.

The *Regional Supplement* also states that if onsite data gathering is not practical, the growing season can be approximated by the number of days between the average (five years out of ten, or 50 percent probability) date of the last and first 28°F air temperature in the spring and fall, respectively. The National Weather Service WETS data obtained from the NRCS National Water and Climate Center reveals for Ottawa and Erie Counties that growing season in an average year lasts from April 13 to November 8, or about 208 days. In the Project area, five percent of the growing season equates to approximately ten days (USDA-NRCS 2020).

The soils and ground surface were examined for evidence of wetland hydrology in lieu of detailed hydrological data. This is an acceptable approach according to the *1987 Manual* and *Regional Supplement*. Evidence indicating wetland hydrology typically includes primary indicators such as surface water, saturation, water marks, drift deposits, water-stained leaves, sediment deposits and oxidized rhizospheres on living roots; and secondary indicators such as, drainage patterns, geomorphic position, micro-topographic relief, and a positive Facultative (FAC)-neutral test (USACE 2012).



### 2.1.3 Vegetation

Dominant vegetation was visually assessed for each stratum (tree, sapling/shrub, herb and woody vine) and an indicator status of obligate wetland (OBL), facultative wetland (FACW), facultative (FAC), facultative upland (FACU), and/or upland (UPL) was assigned to each plant species based on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers *2018 National Wetland Plant List* (Lichvar et al. 2016), which encompasses the area of the Project. An area is determined to have hydrophytic vegetation when, under normal circumstances, 50 percent or more of the composition of the dominant species are OBL, FACW and/or FAC species. Vegetation of an area was determined to be non-hydrophytic when more than 50 percent of the composition of the dominant species was FACU and/or UPL species. In addition to the dominance test, the FAC-Neutral test and prevalence tests are used to determine if a wetland has a predominance of hydrophytic vegetation. Recent USACE guidance indicates that to the extent possible, the hydrophytic vegetation decision should be based on the plant community that is normally present during the wet portion of the growing season in a normal rainfall year (USACE 2012).

### 2.1.4 Wetland Classifications

Wetlands were classified based on the naming convention found in *Classification of Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats of the United States* (Cowardin et al. 1979). If wetlands were identified within the survey area; they would typically be classified as freshwater, palustrine systems, which include non-tidal wetlands dominated by trees, shrubs, emergents, mosses, or lichens. The common palustrine wetland classification types are as follows:

- **PEM** – Palustrine emergent wetlands are characterized by erect, rooted, herbaceous hydrophytes, excluding mosses and lichens. This vegetation is present for most of the growing season in most years. These wetlands are usually dominated by perennial plants.
- **PSS** – Palustrine scrub/shrub wetlands are characterized by woody vegetation that is less than three inches diameter at breast height (DBH), and greater than 3.28 feet tall. The woody angiosperms (i.e., small trees or shrubs) in this broad-leaved deciduous community have relatively wide, flat leaves that are shed annually during the cold or dry season.
- **PFO** – Palustrine forested wetlands are characterized by woody vegetation that is three inches or more DBH, regardless of total height. These wetlands generally include an overstory of broad-leaved and needle-leaved trees, an understory or young saplings and shrubs, and an herbaceous layer.
- **PUB** – Palustrine unconsolidated bottom wetlands includes all open water wetlands and deepwater habitats with at least 25 percent cover of particles smaller than stones, and a vegetative cover less than 30 percent. Palustrine open water wetlands are characterized by the lack of large stable surfaces for plant and animal attachment.



- **PAB** – Palustrine aquatic bed wetlands are characterized by plants that grow principally on or below the surface of the water for most of the growing season in most years. These plants are best developed in relatively permanent water or under conditions of repeated flooding.
- **PML** – Palustrine moss-lichen wetlands include areas where mosses or lichens cover at least 30 percent of substrates other than rock and where emergents, shrubs, or trees alone or in combination cover less than 30 percent.
- **PUS** – Palustrine unconsolidated shore wetlands are characterized by substrates lacking vegetation except for pioneer plants that become established during brief periods when growing conditions are favorable. Unconsolidated shore wetlands have less than 30% areal coverage of vegetation and less than 75 percent areal cover of stones, boulders or bedrock.
- **PRB** – Palustrine rock bottom wetlands includes all wetlands and deepwater habitats with substrates having an aerial cover of stones, boulders, or bedrock 75 percent or greater and vegetative cover of less than 30 percent. Rock bottom wetlands and deepwater habitats are characterized by substrates predominantly made up of stones, boulders, or bedrock.

For some wetlands, multiple Cowardin classifications may be present where more than one classification's vegetation is dominant (vegetation covers 30 percent or more of the substrate). Where multiple Cowardin classifications are present, the Cowardin classification of the plants that constitute the uppermost layer of vegetation is listed.

### **2.1.5 Ohio Rapid Assessment Method v. 5.0**

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) *Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands v. 5.0 (ORAM)* was developed to determine the relative ecological quality and level of disturbance of a particular wetland in order to meet requirements under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. Wetlands are scored on the basis of hydrology, upland buffer, habitat alteration, special wetland communities, and vegetation communities. Each of these subject areas is further divided into subcategories under *ORAM* resulting in a score that describes the wetland using a range from 0 (low quality and high disturbance) to 100 (high quality and low disturbance). Wetlands scored from 0 to 29.9 are grouped into "Category 1", 30 to 59.9 are "Category 2" and 60 to 100 are "Category 3". Transitional zones exist between "Categories 1 and 2" from 30 to 34.9 and between "Categories 2 and 3" from 60 to 64.9. However, according to the OEPA, if the wetland score falls into the transitional range, it must be given the higher Category unless scientific data can prove it should be in a lower Category (Mack 2001).

#### ***Category 1 Wetlands***

Category 1 wetlands support minimal wildlife habitat, hydrological and recreational functions, and do not provide for or contain critical habitats for threatened or endangered species. In addition, Category 1 wetlands are often hydrologically isolated and have some or all of the following characteristics: low



species diversity, no significant habitat or wildlife use, limited potential to achieve wetland functions, and/or a predominance of non-native species. These limited quality wetlands are considered to be a resource that has been severely degraded or has a limited potential for restoration or is of low ecological functionality.

### ***Category 2 Wetlands***

Category 2 wetlands "...support moderate wildlife habitat, or hydrological or recreational functions," and as wetlands which are "...dominated by native species but generally without the presence of, or habitat for, rare, threatened or endangered species; and wetlands which are degraded but have a reasonable potential for reestablishing lost wetland functions." Category 2 wetlands constitute the broad middle category of "good" quality wetlands, and can be considered a functioning, diverse, healthy water resource that has ecological integrity and human value. Some Category 2 wetlands are lacking in human disturbance and considered to be naturally of moderate quality; others may have been Category 3 wetlands in the past but have been degraded to Category 2 status.

### ***Category 3 Wetlands***

Wetlands that are assigned to Category 3 have "...superior habitat, or superior hydrological or recreational functions." They are typified by high levels of diversity, a high proportion of native species, and/or high functional values. Category 3 wetlands include wetlands which contain or provide habitat for threatened or endangered species, are high quality mature forested wetlands, vernal pools, bogs, fens, or which are scarce regionally and/or statewide. A wetland may be a Category 3 wetland because it exhibits one or all of the above characteristics. For example, a forested wetland located in the flood plain of a river may exhibit "superior" hydrologic functions (e.g., flood retention, nutrient removal), but not contain mature trees or high levels of plant species diversity.

## **2.2 STREAM CROSSINGS**

Regulatory activities under the Clean Water Act provide authority for states to issue water quality standards and "designated uses" to all waters of the U.S. upstream to the highest reaches of the tributary streams. In addition, the Federal Water Pollution Control Act of 1972 and its 1977 and 1987 amendments require knowledge of the potential fish or biological communities that can be supported in a stream or river, including upstream headwaters. Streams were identified by the presence of a defined bed and bank, and evidence of an ordinary high-water mark (OHWM). The USACE defines OHWM as "that line on the shore established by the fluctuations of water and indicated by physical characteristics such as a clear, natural line impressed on the bank, shelving, changes in the character of soil, destruction of terrestrial vegetation, the presence of litter and debris, or other appropriate means that consider the characteristics of the surrounding areas" (USACE 2005).



Stream assessments were conducted using the methods described in the OEPA's Methods for Assessing Habitat in Flowing Waters: Using OEPA's *Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index* (Rankin 2006) and *Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's Primary Headwater Habitat Streams, Version 4.1* (Ohio EPA 2020).

### **2.2.1 OEPA Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index**

The qualitative habitat evaluation index (QHEI) is designed to provide a rapid determination of habitat features that correspond to those physical factors that most affect fish communities and which are generally important to other aquatic life (*e.g.*, macroinvertebrates). The quantitative measure of habitat used to calibrate the QHEI score are Indices (or Index) of Biotic Integrity (IBI) for fish. In most instances the QHEI is sufficient to give an indication of habitat quality, and the intensive quantitative analysis used to measure the IBI is not necessary. It is the IBI, rather than the QHEI, that is directly correlated with the aquatic life use designation for a particular surface water.

The QHEI method is generally considered appropriate for waterbodies with drainage basins greater than one square mile, if natural pools are greater than 15.75 inches, or if the water feature is shown as blue-line waterways on USGS 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle maps. In order to convey general stream habitat quality to the regulated public, the OEPA has assigned narrative ratings to QHEI scores. The ranges vary slightly for headwater streams (H are those with a watershed area less than or equal to 20 mi<sup>2</sup>) versus larger streams (L are those with a watershed area greater than 20 mi<sup>2</sup>). The Narrative Rating System includes: Very Poor (<30 H and L), Poor (30 to 42 H, 30 to 44 L), Fair (43 to 54 H, 45 to 59 L), Good (55 to 69 H, 60 to 74 L) and Excellent (70+ H, 75+ L) (Rankin 2006).

### **2.2.2 OEPA Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Index**

Headwater streams are typically considered to be first-order and second-order streams, meaning streams that have no upstream tributaries (or "branches") and those that have only first-order tributaries, respectively. The stream order concept can be problematic when used to define headwater streams because stream-order designations vary depending upon the accuracy and resolution of the stream delineation. Headwater streams are generally not shown on USGS 7.5-minute topographic quadrangles and are sometimes difficult to distinguish on aerial photographs. Nevertheless, headwater streams are now recognized as useful monitoring units due to their abundance, widespread spatial scale and landscape position (Fritz et al. 2006). Impacts to headwater streams can have a cascading effect on the downstream water quality and habitat value. The headwater habitat evaluation index (HHEI) is a rapid field assessment method for physical habitat that can be used to appraise the biological potential of most Primary Headwater Habitat (PHWH) streams. The HHEI was developed using many of the same techniques as used for QHEI, but has criteria specifically designed for headwater habitats. To use HHEI, the stream must have a "defined bed and bank, with either continuous or periodically flowing water, with watershed area less than or equal to 1.0 mi<sup>2</sup> (259ha), and a maximum depth of water pools equal to or less than 15.75 inches" (Ohio EPA 2020).



Headwater streams are scored on the basis of channel substrate composition, bankfull width, and maximum pool depth. Assessments result in a score (0 to 100) that is converted to a specific PWH stream class. Streams that are scored from 0 to 29.9 are typically grouped into "Class 1 PWH Streams", 30 to 69.9 are "Class 2 PWH Streams", and 70 to 100 are "Class 3 PWH Streams". Technically, a stream can score relatively high, but actually belong in a lower class, and vice-versa. According to the OEPA, if the stream score falls into a class and the scorer feels that based on site observations that score does not reflect the actual stream class, a decision-making flow chart can be used to determine appropriate PWH stream class using the HHEI protocol (Ohio EPA 2020). Evidence of anthropogenic alterations to the natural channel will result in a "Modified" qualifier for the stream.

**Class 1 PWH Streams:** Class 1 PWH Streams are those that have "normally dry channels with little or no aquatic life present" (Ohio EPA 2020). These waterways are usually ephemeral, with water present for short periods of time due to infiltration from snowmelts or rainwater runoff.

**Class 2 PWH Streams:** Class 2 PWH Streams are equivalent to "warm-water habitat" streams. This stream class has a "moderately diverse community of warm-water adapted native fauna either present seasonally or on an annual basis" (Ohio EPA 2020). These species communities are composed of vertebrates (fish and salamanders) and/or benthic macroinvertebrates that are considered pioneering, headwater temporary, and/or temperature facultative species.

**Class 3 PWH Streams:** Class 3 PWH Streams usually have perennial water flow with cool-cold water adapted native fauna. The community of Class 3 PWH Streams is comprised of vertebrates (either cold water adapted species of headwater fish and or obligate aquatic species of salamanders, with larval stages present), and/or a diverse community of benthic cool water adapted macroinvertebrates present in the stream continuously (on an annual basis).

### **2.2.3 401 Eligibility Watersheds**

Under the 401 Water Quality Certification for the 2017 and 2021 Nationwide Permits (NWP), OEPA has limited the use of the expedited permits for impacts to high quality streams in Ohio. OEPA has developed a map/shapefile which designates Ohio watersheds into three categories:

**Ineligible Areas:** If any stream proposed to be impacted is located in an ineligible area, then impacts to that stream are not eligible for coverage under the NWPs and an individual 401 WQC will be required from OEPA.

**Possibly Eligible Areas:** Any stream proposed to be impacted which is located in a possibly eligible area will require additional field screenings. The pH value must be collected and a QHEI or HHEI assessment must be performed on the stream. Flow charts provided in the OEPA Final Signed WQC NWP 2017 (Ohio EPA 2017) will then be used to determine if stream impacts will be eligible for coverage under the NWP or if an individual 401 WQC is required.



**Eligible Areas:** Any impacts to streams located in eligible areas are eligible for coverage under the NWP.

### 3.0 RESULTS

AECOM delineated a total of 15 wetland complexes including 10 PEM wetlands, three PSS wetlands, one PEM/PSS wetland complex, and one PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex. Additionally, AECOM identified a total of three perennial streams within the AECOM survey area. These wetlands and streams are discussed in the following sections.

#### 3.1 WETLAND DELINEATION

##### 3.1.1 Preliminary Soils Evaluation

Soils within each wetland were observed and documented as part of the delineation methodology. According to the USDA/NRCS Web Soil Surveys of Ottawa and Erie Counties, Ohio (USDA NRCS 2018) and the NRCS Hydric Soils Lists of Ohio, three soil map units are listed as hydric soils within the AECOM survey area. Additionally, two other soil maps units are listed as hydric inclusions due to displaying hydric soils with a minor component of the soil map unit (USDA NRCS 2018). Table 1 provides a detailed overview of all soil series and soil map units within the Project survey area. Soil map units located within the AECOM survey area are shown on Figures 2.

**TABLE 1  
SOIL MAP UNITS AND DESCRIPTIONS WITHIN THE PROJECT'S SURVEY AREA**

Soil Series <sup>1</sup>	Symbol <sup>1</sup>	Map Unit Description <sup>1</sup>	Topographic Setting <sup>2</sup>	Hydric <sup>3</sup>	Hydric Component (%)
Bono	Bo	Bono silty clay	Depressions	Yes	Bono (95 %)
Fulton	FuA	Fulton silty clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Depressions on lake plains	Yes*	Toledo (5%)
Shinrock	SkC2	Shinrock silty clay loam, 6 to 12 percent slopes, eroded	Depressions on lake plains	Yes*	Milford (10%)
Toledo	To	Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes	Lakebeds (relicts)	Yes	Toledo, Lenawee (93%)
Toledo	ToA	Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes	Lakebeds (relicts)	Yes	Toledo, Lenawee (93%)
Udorthents	Ud	Udorthents, gently sloping	-	No	-

NOTES:

(1) Data sources include:

USDA. NRCS. 2019. Web Soil Survey. Available online at: <https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/HomePage.htm>

USDA. NRCS. 2018. National Hydric Soils List by State. Available online at: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/soils/use/hydric/>

USDA. SCS. 1989. Soil Survey of Trumbull County, Ohio

(2) Web Soil Survey provides the Topographic Setting for each soil map unit.

(3) Soils that are identified as hydric with an asterisk represent soils with hydric inclusions within the identified topographic settings.



### **3.1.2 National Wetland Inventory Map Review**

According to NWI maps of the Port Clinton, Vickery, and Sandusky, Ohio quadrangles, the AECOM survey area contains three mapped NWI wetlands. The mapped NWI wetlands include two palustrine emergent, persistent, seasonally flooded (PEM1C), one riverine, unknown perennial, unconsolidated bottom, permanently flooded (R5UBH), and one riverine, unknown perennial, unconsolidated bottom, semi permanently flooded, excavated (R5UBFx). The NWI mapped wetlands were field verified as the following:

- The NWI mapped wetland, PEM1C (Figure 2-2), was field verified as a PEM wetland complex located within the existing right-of-way, LO-09 (Figure 3-2).
- The NWI mapped wetland, PEM1C (Figure 2-3), was field verified as a PEM wetland complex located within the existing right-of-way, LO-09 (Figure 3-2).
- The NWI mapped wetland, R5UBH (Figure 2-4), located near the existing Structure 1397, was field verified as being a channelized stream within an agricultural field, Stream LO-03, as well as Wetland LO-13 (Figure 3-4).
- The NWI mapped wetland, R5UBFx (Figure 2-5), located near the Lakeview substation, and crosses the existing right-of-way. The stream was field verified as Stream LO-01 (Figure 3-5).

The locations of these NWI mapped and delineated wetlands are displayed on Figure 2 and 3, respectively with photographs provided in Appendix D.

### **3.1.3 Delineated Wetlands**

During the delineation, AECOM identified a total of 15 wetlands, ranging in size from 0.001 acre to 1.939 acres, within the AECOM survey area. Some wetland boundaries extended beyond the survey area, but only the wetland area identified within the AECOM survey area was assessed. Wetland complex that were identified as continuing outside the survey area and are directly connected to other identified unique wetland habitats within the survey area include:

- Wetland LO-01, Wetland LO-02, Wetland LO-03, and Wetland LO-04 are the same wetland complex that are connected outside of AECOM's survey area;
- Wetlands LO-07, LO-09a/b/c, and LO-10 are the same wetland complex that are connected by a depressional area along the edge of an existing railroad ditch and outside of AECOM's survey area; and
- Wetlands LO-11, LO-12 and LO-13 are connected by a swale/depression along Highway 2.



As a result, the connected wetland complexes were scored together as a cumulative ORAM score and separate USACE datapoints were collected to represent the unique wetland habitat within the complexes. As a result, a total of 15 unique wetland crossings were identified that are composed of four different wetland habitat types. These habitat types include 10 PEM wetlands, three PSS wetlands, one PEM/PSS wetland, and one PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex. Table 2 provides a summary of the delineated wetlands within the AECOM survey area.

The locations and approximate extent of the wetlands identified within the AECOM survey area are shown on Figures 3. Completed USACE wetland determination and ORAM forms are provided in Appendices A and B, respectively. Color photographs taken of each wetland habitat have been provided in Appendix D.



**TABLE 2**  
**DELINEATED WETLANDS WITHIN THE PROJECT'S SURVEY AREA**

Wetland Name	Latitude	Longitude	Cowardin Classification <sup>1</sup>	NWI Classification	ORAM Score <sup>2</sup>	ORAM Category <sup>2</sup>	Acreage within Survey Area	Acreage within 100-ft ROW	Figure 3 Sheet Number
Wetland LG-01	41.432325	-82.729113	PEM	N/A	14	Category 1	0.107	0.042	6
Wetland LO-01	41.512650	-82.914993	PEM	N/A	24	Category 1	1.306	0.640	1
Wetland LO-02	41.512136	-82.915062	PSS	N/A			0.254	0.252	1
Wetland LO-03	41.511972	-82.915261	PEM	N/A			0.274	0.066	1
Wetland LO-04	41.509865	-82.915919	PEM	N/A			0.056	0.018	2
Wetland LO-05	41.509147	-82.915840	PEM	N/A	14	Category 1	0.044	0	2
Wetland LO-06	41.508642	-82.916060	PEM	N/A	14	Category 1	0.041	0.016	2
Wetland LO-07	41.508123	-82.915952	PSS	N/A	28.5	Category 1	0.135	0.127	2
Wetland LO-08	41.508444	-82.918891	PSS	N/A	21	Category 1	0.001	0	2
Wetland LO-09	41.508409	-82.918692	PEM	PEM1C	28.5	Category 1	1.601	0.746	2, 3
	41.508332	-82.918240	PSS	PEM1C			0.399	0.068	2, 3
	41.507219	-82.916225	PUB	PEM1C			0.639	0.433	2, 3
Wetland LO-10	41.504430	-82.916852	PEM	N/A			0.332	0.172	3
Wetland LO-11	41.503238	-82.917258	PEM	N/A	37.5	Category 2	0.147	0.089	3
Wetland LO-12	41.502252	-82.917352	PEM	N/A			1.939	1.517	3,4
	41.502966	-82.916991	PSS	N/A			0.592	0.151	3,4
Wetland LO-13	41.494527	-82.933613	PEM	R5UBH			0.012	0	4
Wetland LO-40	41.514439	-82.915737	PEM	N/A	9	Category 1	0.001	0	1
<b>Total: 15</b>	<b>PEM: 10; PSS: 3; PEM/PSS: 1; PEM/PSS/PUB: 1</b>						<b>7.88</b>	<b>4.34</b>	

Cowardin Classification<sup>1</sup>: PEM = palustrine emergent; PSS = palustrine scrub/shrub, PUB = palustrine unconsolidated bottom, and PFO = palustrine forested

ORAM Category<sup>2</sup>: The Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands v. 5.0, User's Manual and Scoring Forms



## 3.1.4 Delineated Wetlands ORAM V5.0 Results

Within the Project's survey area, 14 wetlands are identified as Category 1 and one is Category 2. Wetland LO-40 had the lowest ORAM score, 9, while Wetland LO-11, LO-12, and LO-13 received the highest score of 37.5. Additionally, several wetlands were identified as continuing outside of the survey area and were included within the scoring boundary of the ORAM assessment with entire boundaries estimated via desktop and site investigations. The scoring boundary extents for each resource are displayed in the attached drawing included in the 10-page ORAM forms in Attachment B. A summary of classified ORAM scores has been provided below as well as in Table 2 and Table 3.

**TABLE 3**

**SUMMARY OF DELINEATED WETLANDS WITHIN PROJECT'S SURVEY BOUNDARY**

Cowardin Wetland Type <sup>1</sup>	ORAM Category 1	ORAM Category 2	ORAM Category 3	Number of Wetlands	Acreage within Project's Survey Area	Acreage within 100-Foot ROW
PEM	10	0	0	10	2.32	1.04
PSS	3	0	0	3	0.39	0.38
PEM/PSS	0	1	0	1	2.53	1.67
PEM/PSS/PUB	1	0	0	1	2.64	1.25
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>7.88</b>	<b>4.34</b>

1. Cowardin classification: PFO = palustrine forested, PSS = palustrine scrub/shrub, PEM = palustrine emergent
2. No wetlands were identified within the survey area associated with the Riverbend Substation expansion.

### *Category 1 Wetlands*

Twelve Category 1 wetlands (Wetland LG-01, Wetland LO-01, Wetland LO-02, Wetland LO-03, Wetland LO-04, Wetland LO-05, Wetland LO-06, Wetland LO-07, Wetland LO-08, Wetland LO-09, Wetland LO-10, and Wetland LO-40) were identified within the Project survey area. The lowest scoring Category 1 wetland was Wetland LO-40, with a score of 9 and the highest scoring Category 1 wetlands were Wetland LO-07, Wetland LO-08, Wetland LO-09 complex, and Wetland LO-10, with a score of 28.5. The wetlands exhibited very narrow or narrow upland buffers and high to low intensity of surrounding land use (e.g., 2<sup>nd</sup> growth forest, young forest, fallow fields, agricultural fields, and urban or industrial land). The wetlands also exhibited poor, fair, or poor to fair plant community development with a sparse to extensive percentage of invasive species, and characteristically had habitat and hydrology recovering from previous manipulation due to mowing, clear cutting, selective cutting and disturbances from railroads and other railroads and/or roads.



### *Category 2 Wetlands*

A total of three Category 2 wetland (Wetland LO-11, Wetland LO-12 complex, and Wetland LO-13) were identified within the Project survey area. The wetlands had a score of 37.5. These wetlands exhibited narrow upland buffers and low to high intensity of surrounding land use (e.g. 2<sup>nd</sup> growth forest, young forest, fallow fields, agricultural lands, and urban or industrial land). The wetlands also exhibited moderately good plant community development with an extensive percentage of invasive species. Both habitat and hydrology of the wetland area displayed recovering from previous manipulation due to mowing, agricultural practices, and other likely disturbances including tree/sapling removal as well as stormwater input from the surrounding railroads and/or roads.

### *Category 3 Wetlands*

No Category 3 wetlands were identified within the Project boundary.

## **3.2 STREAM CROSSINGS**

AECOM identified three streams, totaling 1,559 linear feet, within the AECOM survey boundary, as listed in Table 3. The streams are comprised of three perennial streams. The locations of the streams identified within the AECOM survey areas are shown on Figure 3. For the extent of this assessment, please see the HHEI forms provided in Appendix C.

HHEI evaluations were conducted on all four of the streams within the AECOM survey area. QHEI evaluations were not conducted on any of the streams within the AECOM survey area. AECOM evaluations were conducted at or near the crossing for each stream. These streams were identified using USGS topographic maps, aerial photography, and field reconnaissance.



TABLE 3  
DELINEATED STREAMS WITHIN THE PROJECT'S SURVEY AREA

Report Name	Latitude	Longitude	Waterbody	Flow Regime	Form Used <sup>1</sup>	Score	Class or Narrative Description <sup>2</sup>	Bank Full Width (feet)	Maximum Pool Depth (inches)	OEPA 401 WQC Eligibility for Nationwide Permits <sup>3</sup>	Linear Feet Within Survey Area	Linear Feet Within 100-ft ROW	Figure 3 Sheet Number
Stream LO-01	41.51208	-82.91535	Unnamed Tributary (UNT) to Lake Erie	Perennial	HHEI	60	Modified Class II	11	18	Eligible	565	277	1
Stream LO-02	41.50583	-82.91653	UNT to Lake Erie	Perennial	HHEI	63	Modified Class II	6	22	Eligible	943	101	3
Stream LO-03	41.49848	-82.91816	UNT to Lake Erie	Perennial	QHEI	21	Very Poor	7	12	Eligible	51	0	4
Total: 3											1,559	378	

1. HHEI = Headwater Habitat Evaluation Index  
2. Class or Narrative Description provides the designated beneficial uses for assessed resources identified within the Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 3745-1 Water Quality Standards. In absence of a listed designation for a resource, AECOM included the Category assessment identified by the OEPA's Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index (Rankin 2006) or Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's Primary Headwater Habitat Streams, Version 4.1.  
3. As defined by OEPA Division of Surface Water Stream Eligibility Map. Available online at: <http://oepa.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=e6b46d29a38f46229c1eb47deefe49b6>



### **3.2.1 Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index**

One qualitative stream, totaling 51 linear feet, was identified within the Project's survey boundary. This stream was categorized as Very Poor. Completed HHEI forms for each stream are provided in Appendix C. Representative color photographs of selected streams were taken during the field survey and are provided in Appendix D.

### **3.2.2 Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Index**

Two headwater streams, totaling 1,508 linear feet, were identified within the Project's survey boundary. These streams were categorized as two Modified Class 2 PHWM streams. Completed HHEI forms for each stream are provided in Appendix C. Representative color photographs of selected streams were taken during the field survey and are provided in Appendix D.

***Class 1 PHWH Stream*** – No Class 1 streams were identified within the Project survey boundary.

***Modified Class 2 PHWH Streams*** – Two streams, totaling 1,508 linear feet within the Project's survey boundary, with scores ranging from 60 to 63 were identified during the field investigations. Both streams exhibited perennial flow regime. The substrates primarily consisted of silt and cobble with lesser amounts of gravel and artificial. The streams showed evidence of stream channel modification (e.g., channelization, culverting, etc.) that resulted in the streams receiving a Modified designation. The maximum pool depth ranged from 18 to 22 inches, and average bankfull widths ranged from 6 to 11 feet.

***Class 3 PHWH Stream*** - No Class 3 streams were identified within the Project survey boundary.

### **3.3 PONDS**

No ponds were surveyed within the AECOM survey area.

## **4.0 SUMMARY**

The ecological survey of the AECOM survey area identified a total of 15 wetlands and three streams. The five wetland habitat types within AECOM survey area include a total of 10 PEM wetlands, three PSS wetlands, one PEM/PSS wetland complex, and one PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex. Of these, 12 were identified as Category 1 wetlands and three as Category 2 wetlands. No ORAM Category 3 wetlands were identified. Furthermore, the initial coordination for state and federal listed species as well as species specific surveys have been completed. The review of listed species and their critical habitat has been completed and incorporated within the ORAM scores presented within this report, if applicable. The coordination and species specific reports completed for this Project are prepared as standalone documents and can be provided upon request.



The three streams identified within the AECOM survey area included three perennial streams. Two streams were identified using HHEI methodology as Modified Class II Streams and the stream identified using QHEI methodology as a Very Poor Warmwater Stream.

On June 22, 2020, the Navigable Waters Protection Rule under the Clean Water Act (CWA) was modified and in most cases, excluded ephemeral stream as being jurisdictional waters of the United States. Therefore, the jurisdictional status of ephemeral streams shall be left to the federal review, if required, and AECOM has preliminarily determined that all assessed streams and wetlands within the AECOM survey area are jurisdictional (i.e., waters of the U.S.). The locations of the streams and wetlands identified within the survey area are shown on Figure 3. However, Wetland LG-01 may be considered isolated and may warrant further review by the OEPA if impacts occurs to this feature.

The information contained in this wetland delineation report is for a survey area that may be much larger than the actual Project limits-of-disturbance; therefore, lengths and acreages listed in this report may not constitute the actual impacts of the Project defined in subsequent permit applications. If necessary, an addendum that identifies the actual Project impacts will be provided with agency submittals.

The field survey results presented herein apply to the existing and reasonably foreseeable site conditions at the time of our assessment. They cannot apply to site changes of which AECOM is unaware and has not had the opportunity to review. Changes in the condition of a property may occur with time due to natural processes or human impacts at the Project site or on adjacent properties. Changes in applicable standards may also occur as a result of legislation or the expansion of knowledge over time. Accordingly, the findings of this report may be invalidated, wholly or in part, by changes beyond the control of AECOM.



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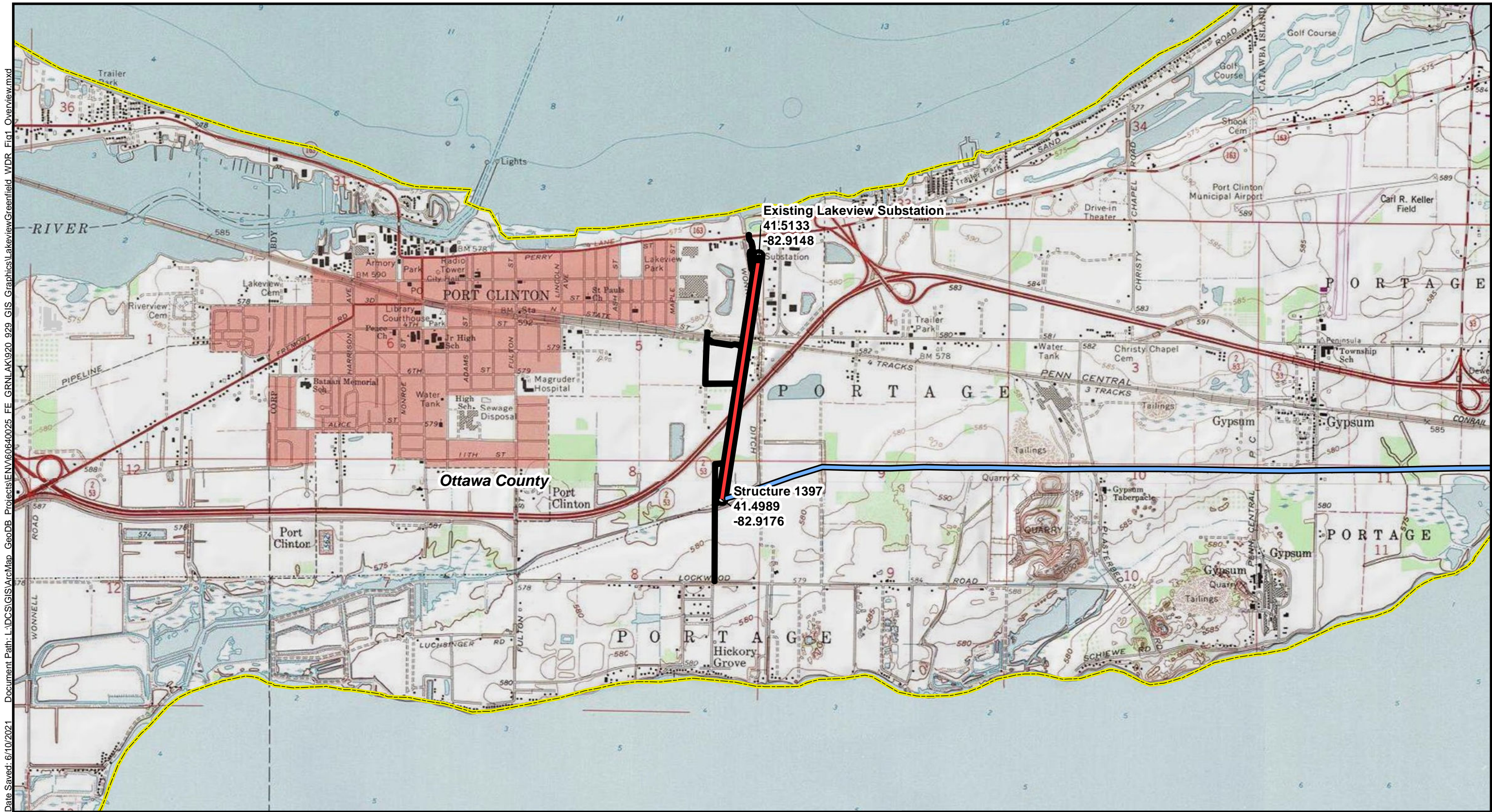
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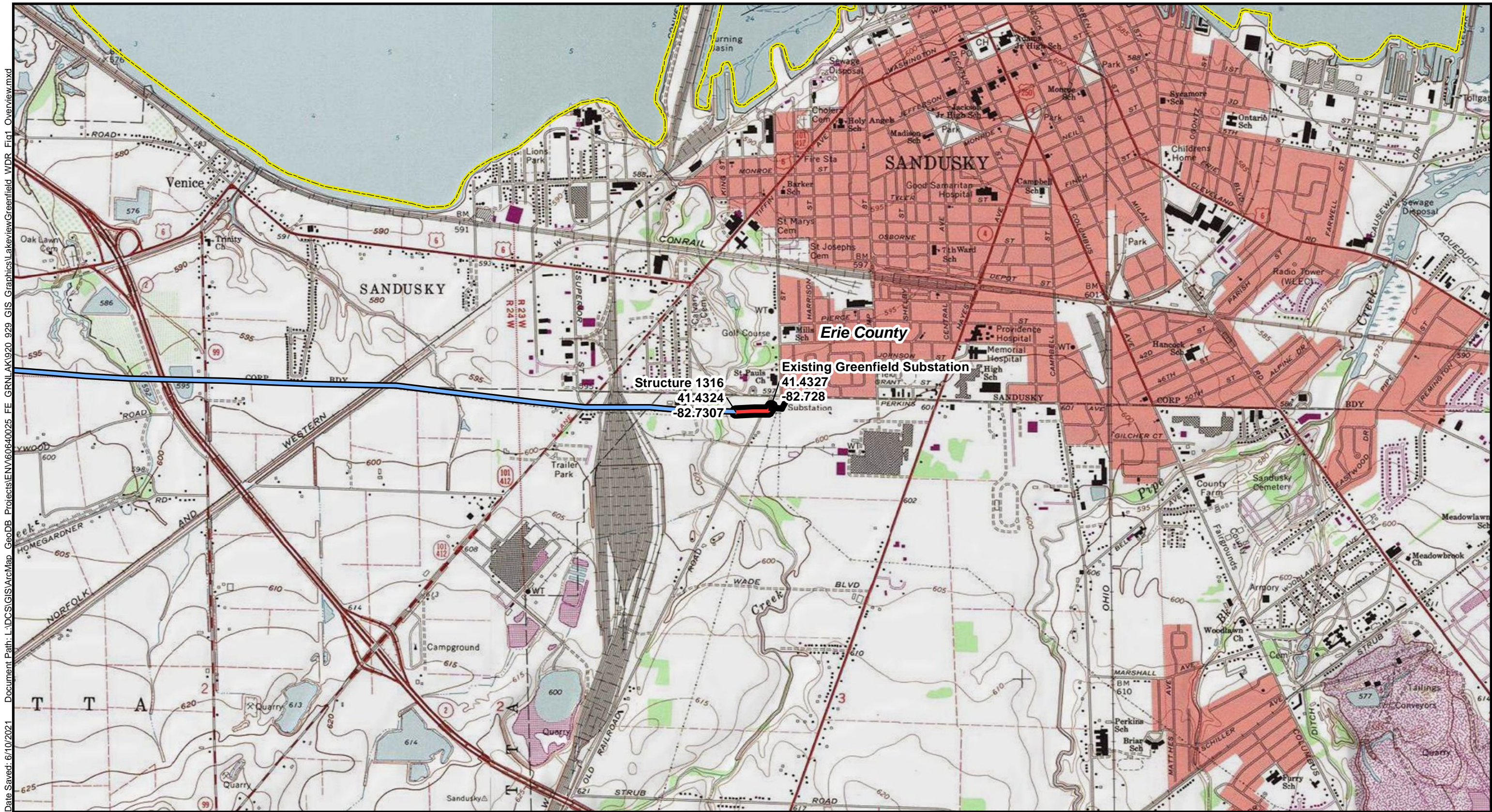
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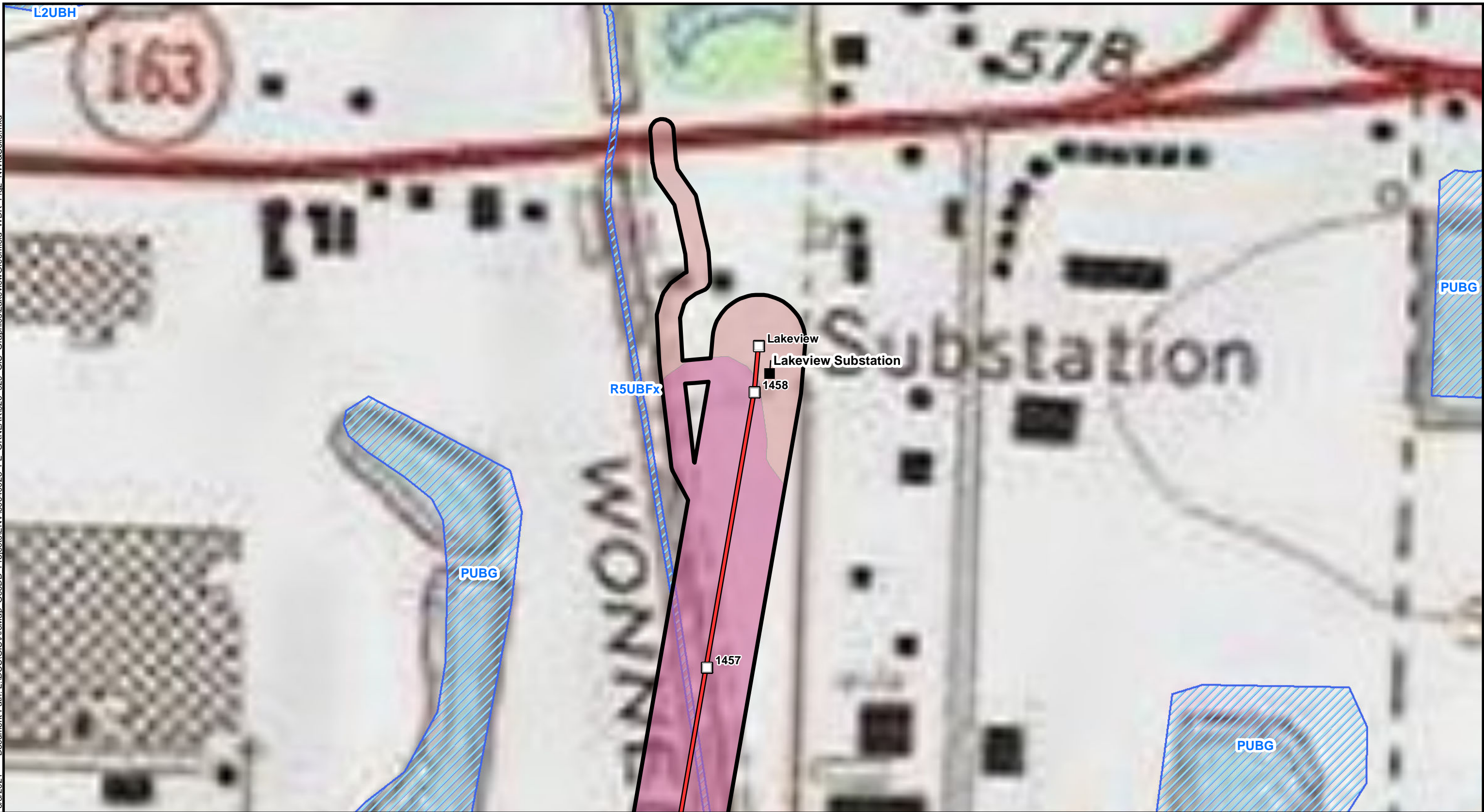
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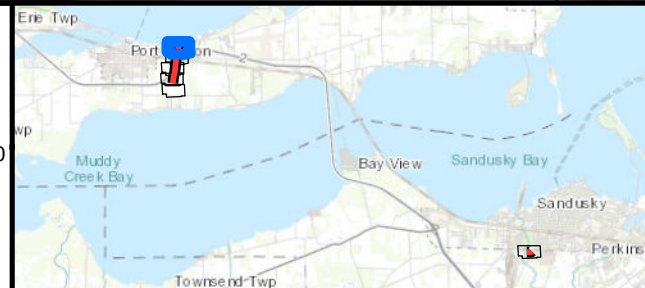
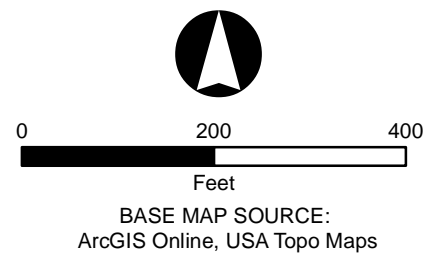
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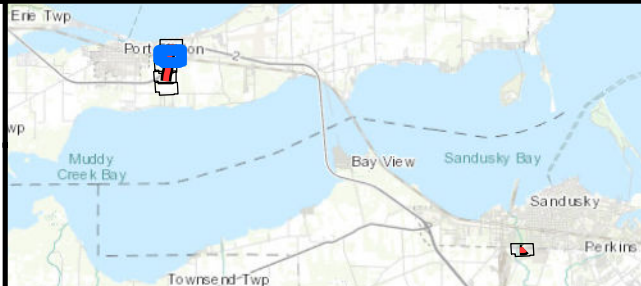
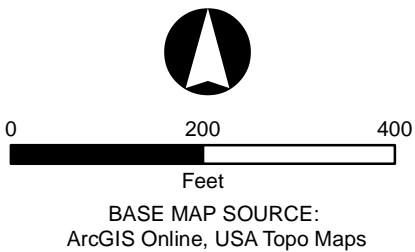
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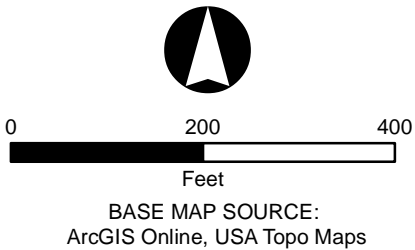




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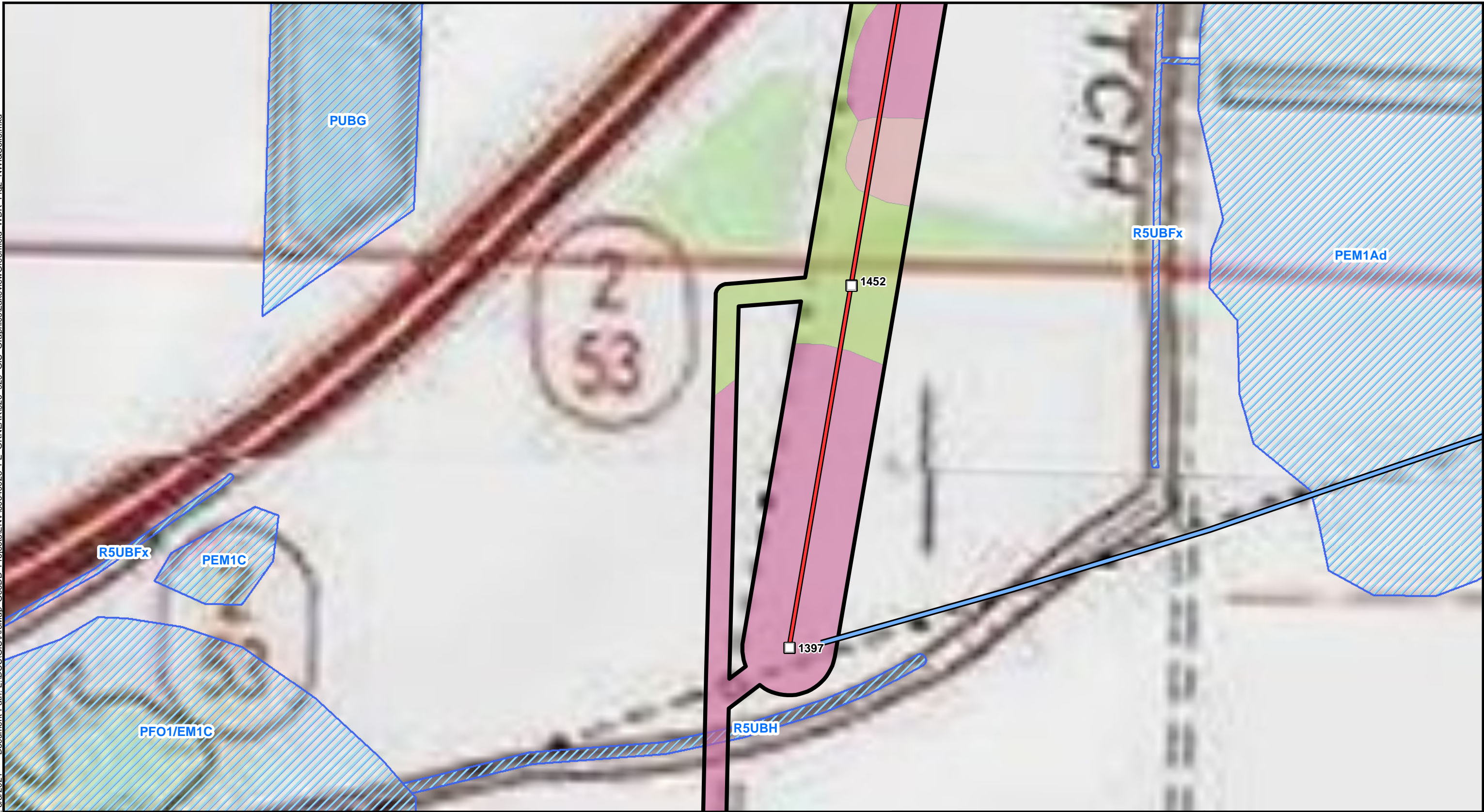
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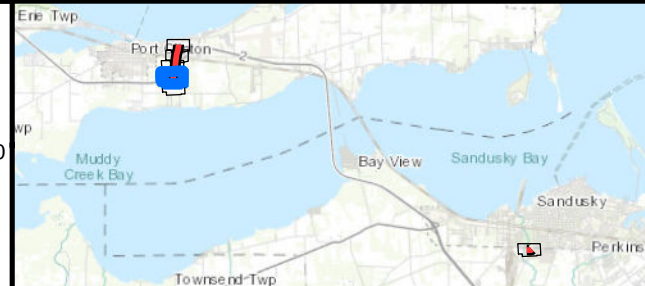


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
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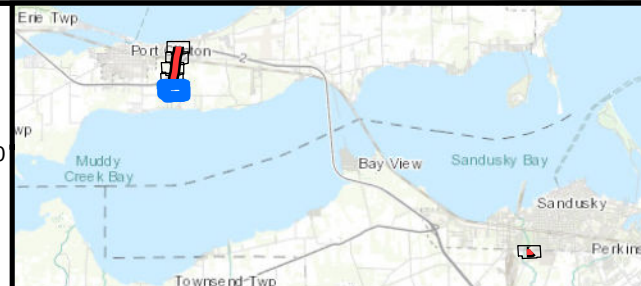
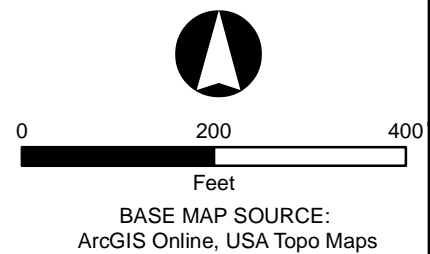
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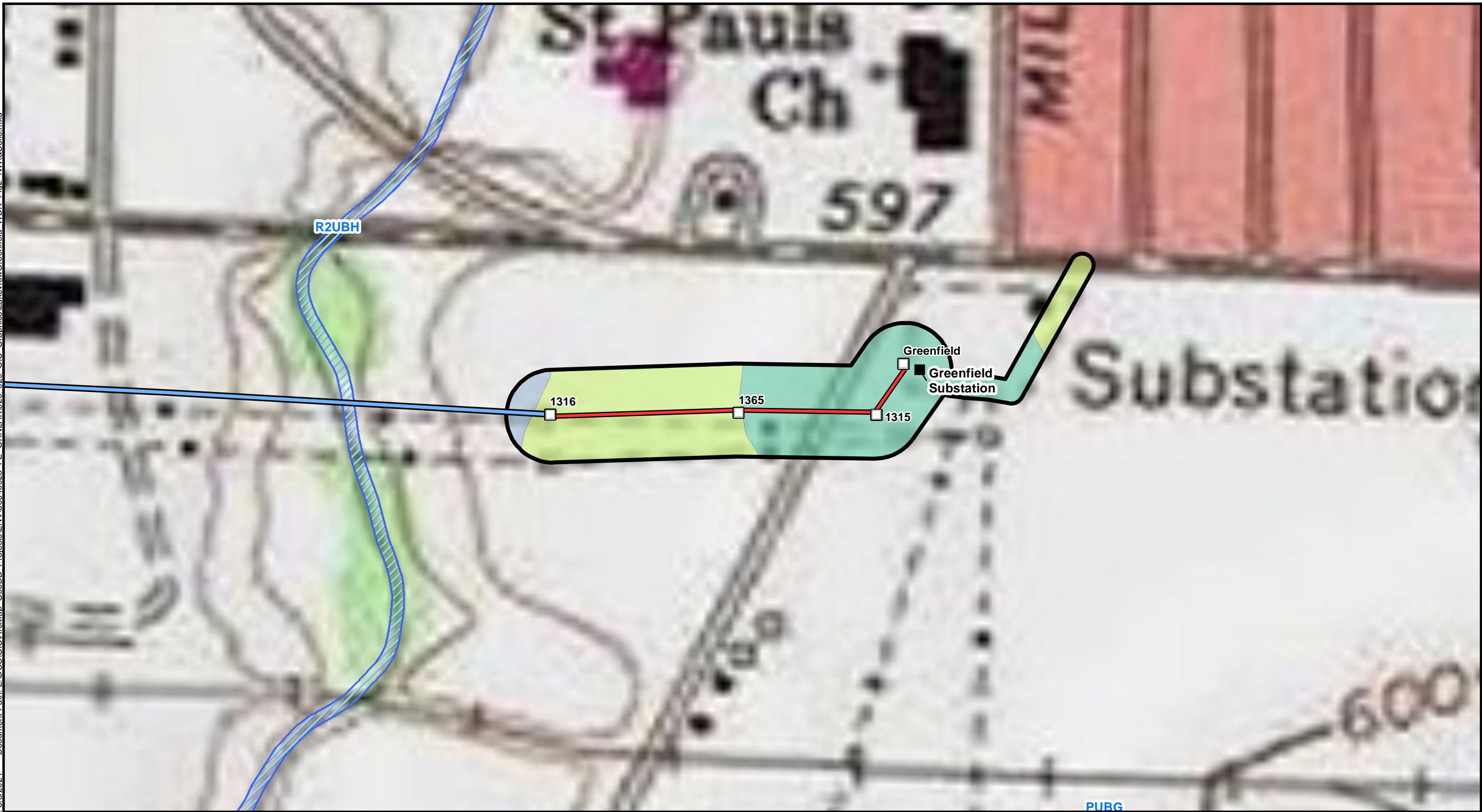
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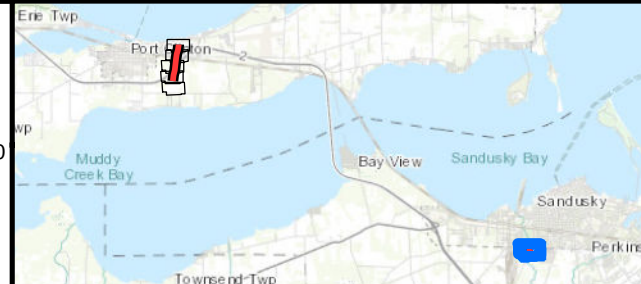
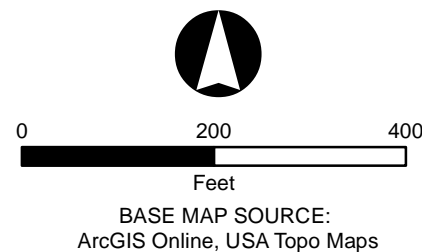


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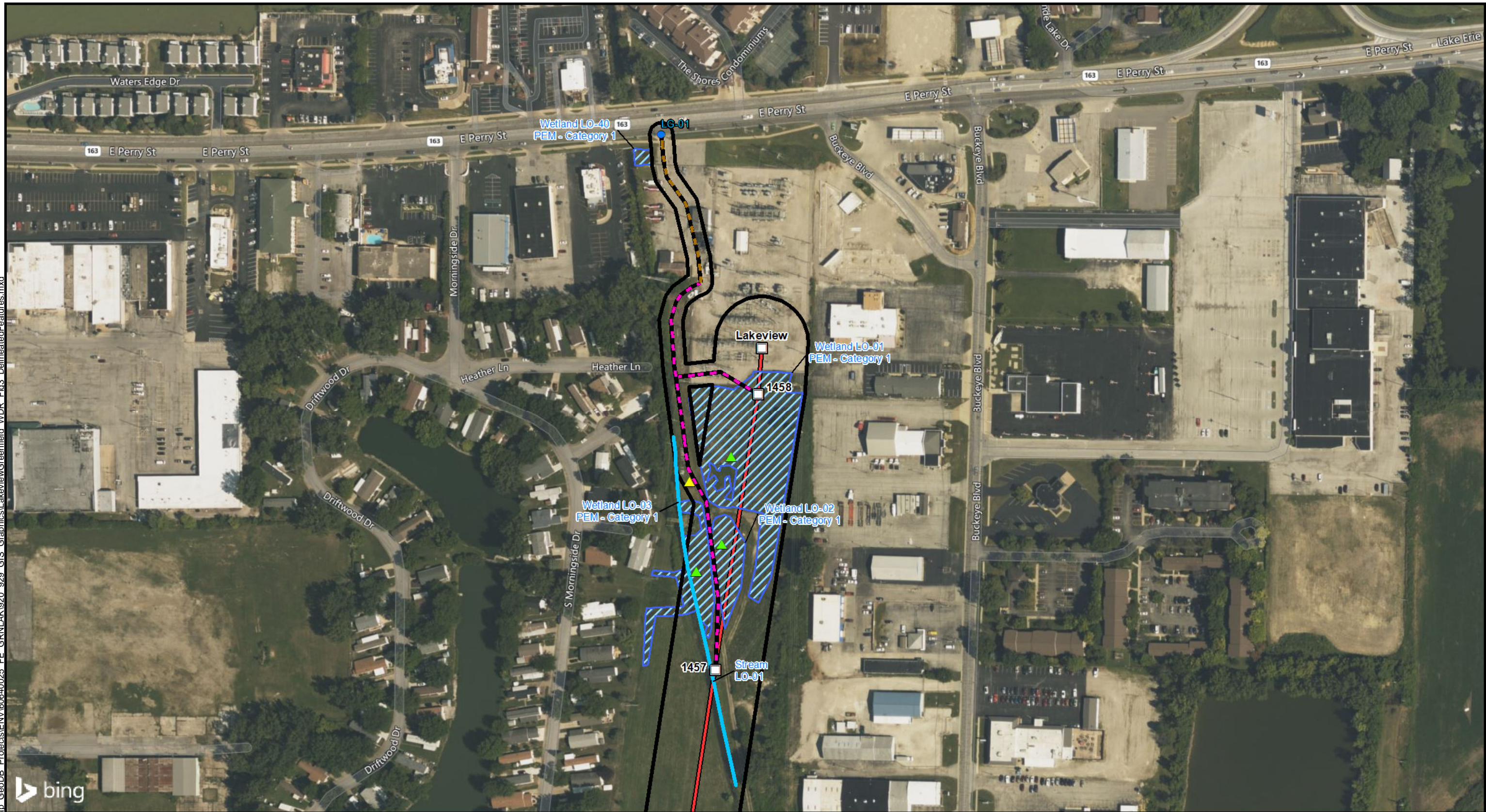
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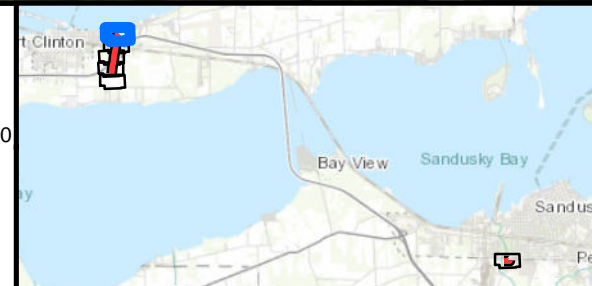
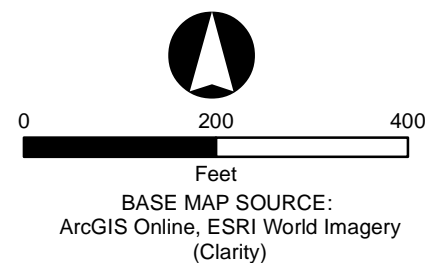


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| ▲ Wetland Data Point  | Proposed Temporary Access Road                                  |                            |
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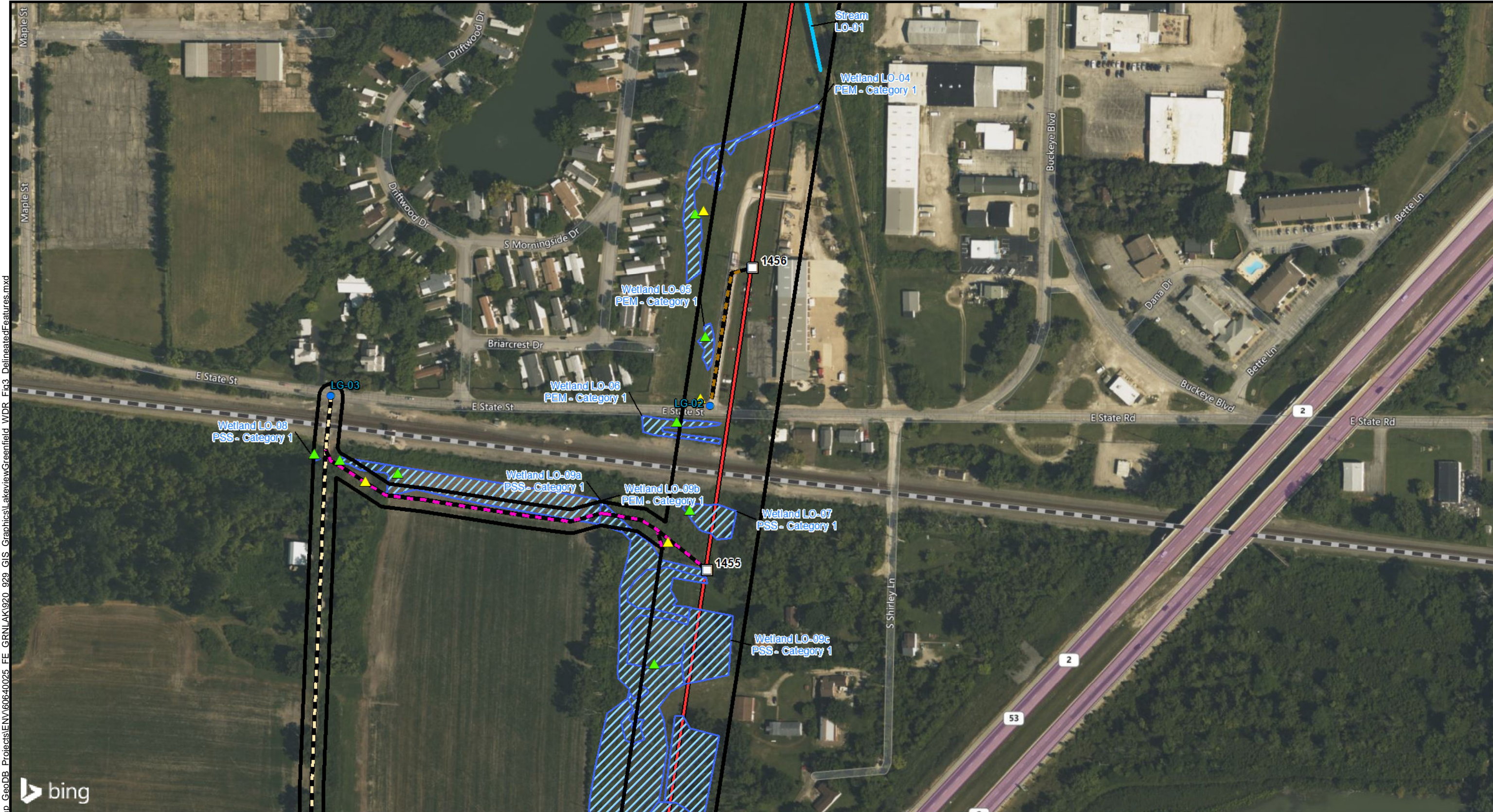
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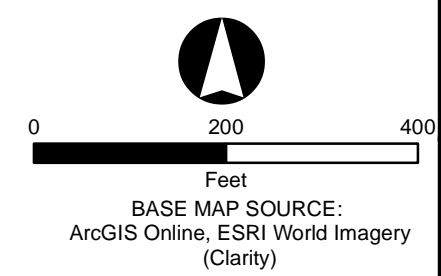



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| ▲ Wetland Data Point  | Existing Gravel Access Road                                     | Delineated Wetland             |
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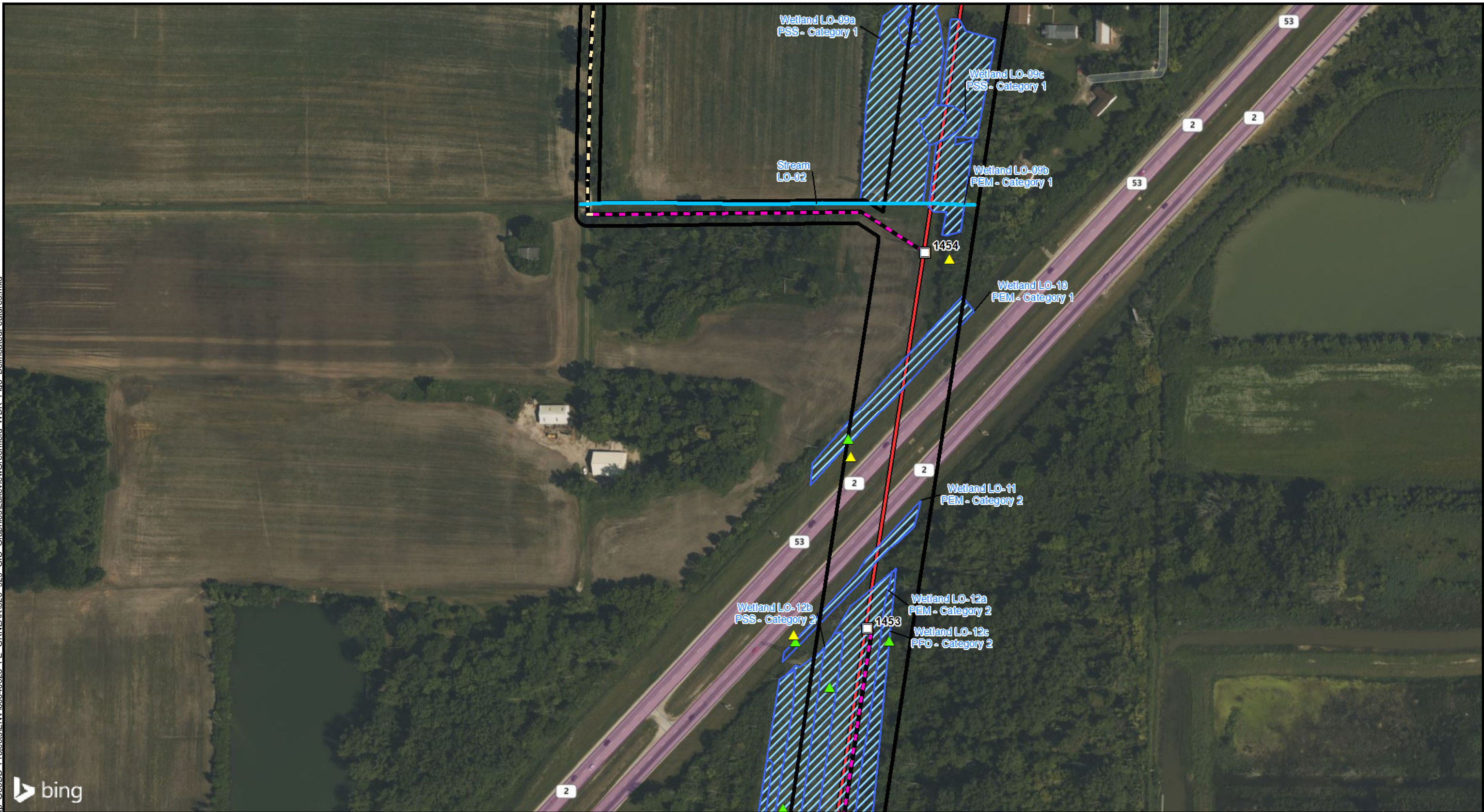
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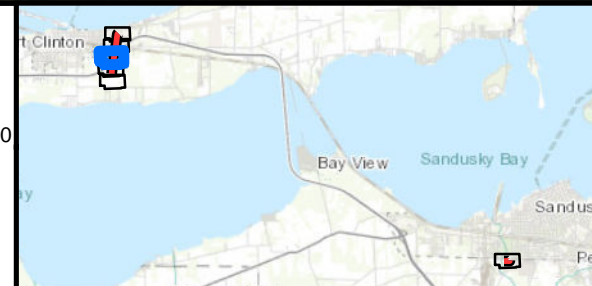
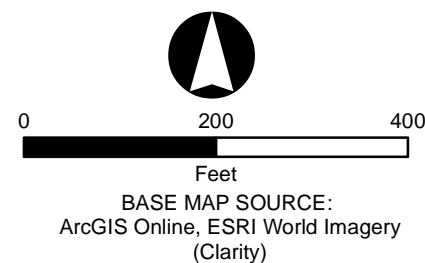




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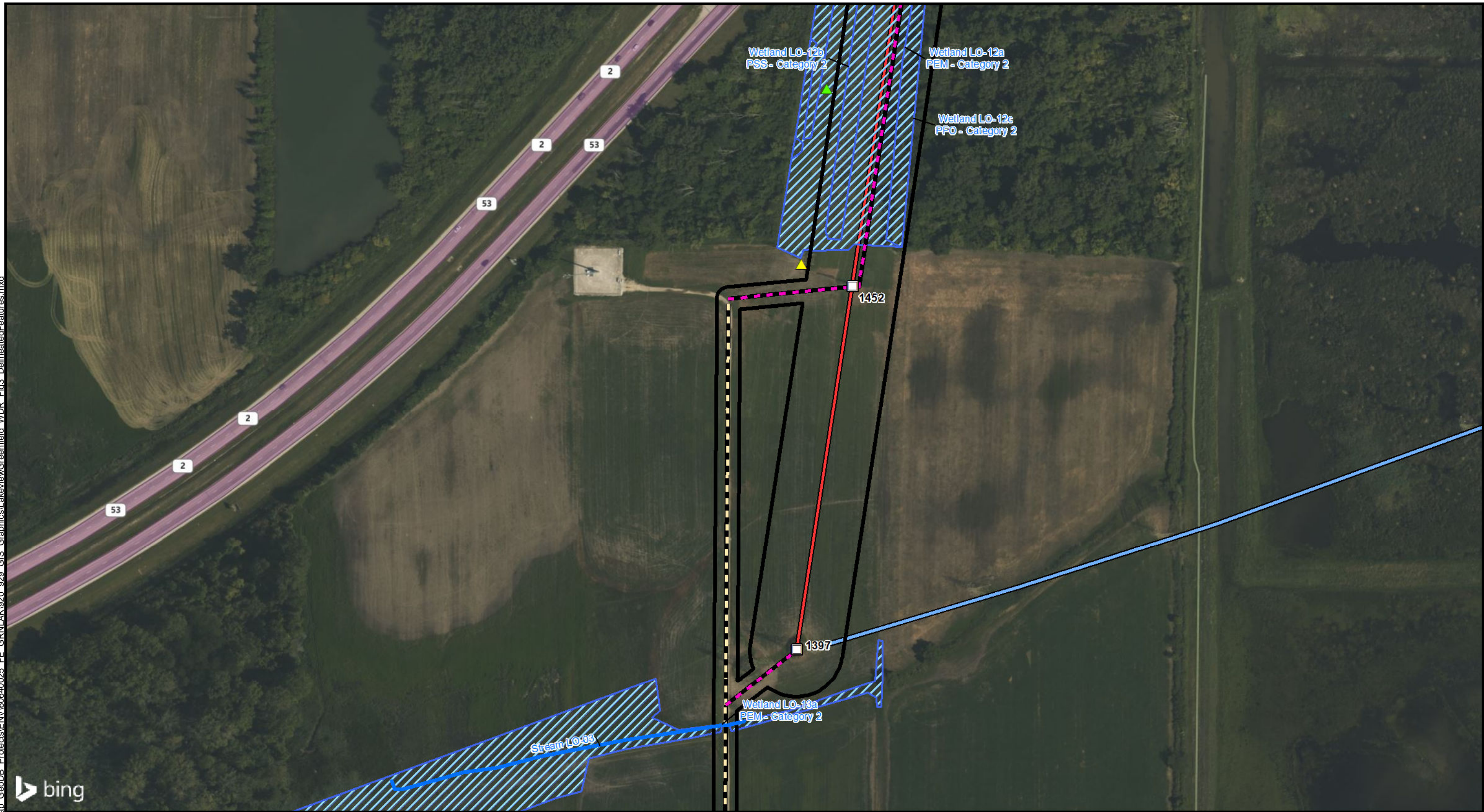
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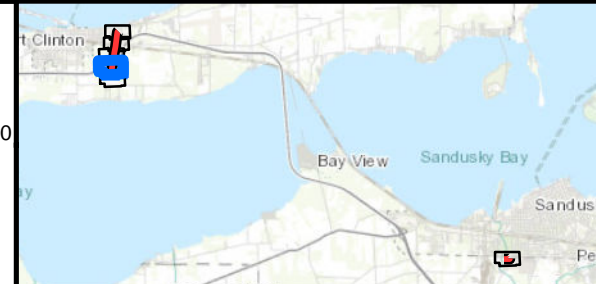
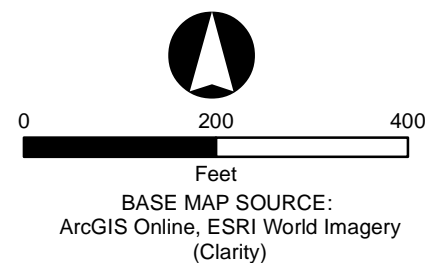


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| ▲ Wetland Data Point  | Proposed Temporary Access Road                                  |                            |
| ■ Existing Substation |   |                            |
| □ Existing Structures |   |                            |



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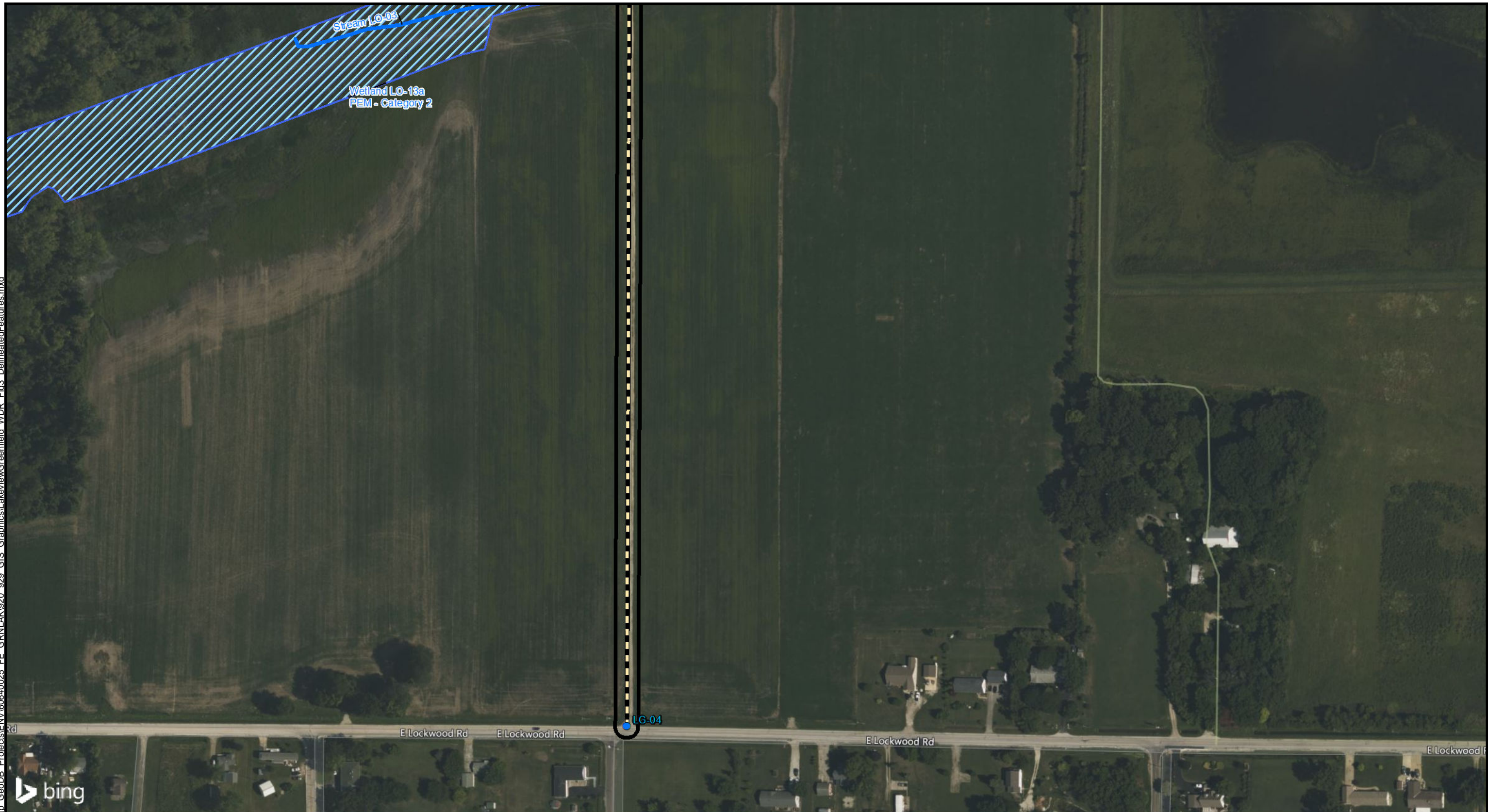
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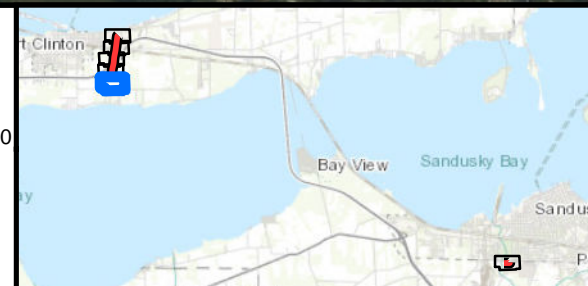
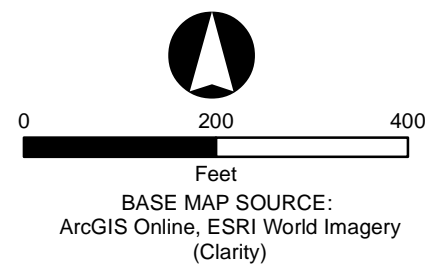





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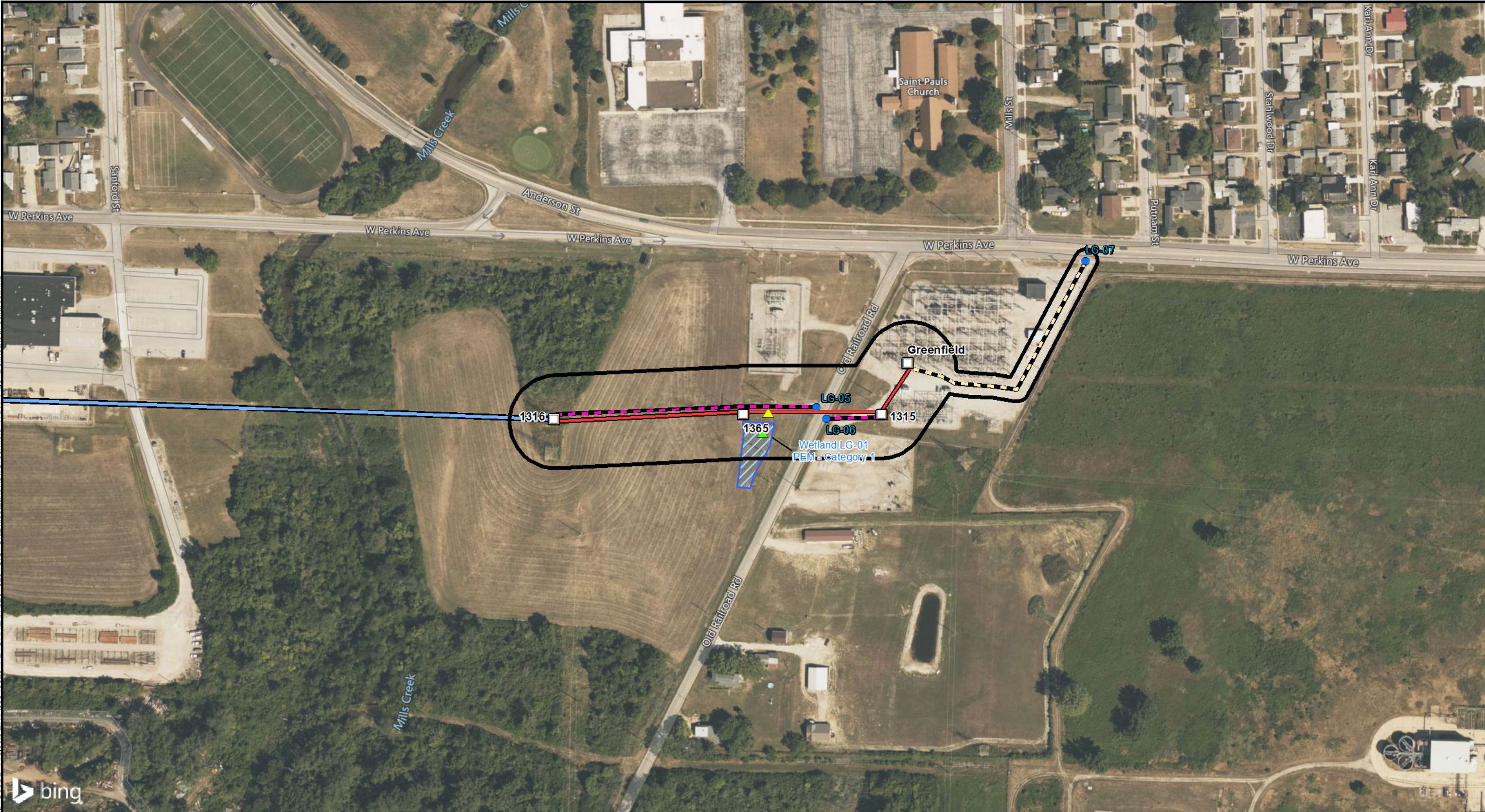
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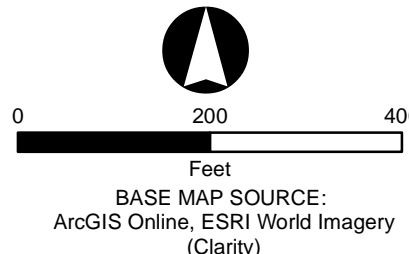





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| ▲ Upland Data Point   | Existing Gravel Access Road                                     | ▨ Delineated Wetland       |
| ▲ Wetland Data Point  | Proposed Temporary Access Road                                  |                            |
| ■ Existing Substation |   |                            |
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**APPENDIX A****U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS WETLAND AND UPLAND FORMS**



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Project City/County: Erie Sampling Date: 07-Oct-20

Applicant/Owner: FirstEnergy State: OH Sampling Point: Wetland LG-01

Investigator(s): M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks Section, Township, Range: S. T. 6N R. 23

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope: 1.0 % / 0.6 °

Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR L Lat.: 41.432325 Long.: -82.729113 Datum: WGS84

Soil Map Unit Name: ToA; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes NWI classification: NA

Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation ☒ , Soil ☐ , or Hydrology ☐ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Are Vegetation ☐ , Soil ☐ , or Hydrology ☐ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	

Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)

Wetland LG-01 (W-201007-MRK-001) is a PEM wetland located within an depression surrounded by agriculture. The depression is collecting surface runoff from the surrounding hay field. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Setaria pumila.

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	

<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	0
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	0
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	0
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b>		Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	

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

NA

Remarks:

The source of hydrology is surface runoff.



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: **W-MRK-201007-001 PEM**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				
1. <i>Setaria pumila</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
3. <i>Trifolium pratense</i>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
130 = Total Cover				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				

**Dominance Test worksheet:**

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

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

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

**Prevalence Index worksheet:**

Total % Cover of: 0 Multiply by: 1 = 0

OBL species 0 x 1 = 0

FACW species 0 x 2 = 0

FAC species 125 x 3 = 375

FACU species 5 x 4 = 20

UPL species 0 x 5 = 0

Column Total s: 130 (A) 395 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.038

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**

☐ Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

☒ Dominance Test is > 50%

☐ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>

☐ Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)

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

**Definitions of Vegetation Strata**

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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..

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

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

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Vegetation is disturbed annually by agricultural practices that may include mowing and soil tilling. Vegetation has been recently mowed. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

Sampling Point: W-MRK-201007-001 PEM

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☒ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

## Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:



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Applicant/Owner: FirstEnergy State: OH Sampling Point: Wetland LG-01 UPL

Investigator(s): M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks Section, Township, Range: S. T. 6N R. 23

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope: 1.0 % / 0.6 °

Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR L Lat.: 41.432444 Long.: -82.729070 Datum: WGS84

Soil Map Unit Name: ToA; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes NWI classification: NA

Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

Are Vegetation ☐ , Soil ☐ , or Hydrology ☐ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LG-01 (W-MRK-201007-001). Upland data was collected within the existing transmission line right-of-way, near an existing sub station in a maintained hayfield.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 0	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 0		
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 0		
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:			
NA			
Remarks:			
No source of hydrology was observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: **W-MRK-201007-001 UPL**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				
1. <u>Dactylis glomerata</u>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
2. <u>Phleum pratense</u>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
3. <u>Festuca pratensis</u>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
5. <u>Trifolium pratense</u>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
6. <u>Echinochloa crus-galli</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
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10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
200 = Total Cover				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
0 = Total Cover				

**Dominance Test worksheet:**

Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A)

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 3 (B)

Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0.0% (A/B)

**Prevalence Index worksheet:**

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>
FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>
FAC species <u>10</u>	x 3 = <u>30</u>
FACU species <u>190</u>	x 4 = <u>760</u>
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>
Column Total s: <u>200</u> (A)	<u>790</u> (B)
Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.950</u>	

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**

☐ Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

☐ Dominance Test is > 50%

☐ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>

☐ Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)

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

**Definitions of Vegetation Strata**

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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..

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

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

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes ☐ No ☒

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

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

Sampling Point: W-MRK-201007-001 UPL

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

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

**Hydric Soil Indicators:**

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

## Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-01  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 0.5 % / 0.3 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.512650 **Long.:** -82.914993 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☒ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-01 (W-200114-MRK-001 PEM). This PEM wetland is located within a depression adjacent to a perennial watercourse. The surrounding area is part of the watercourse floodplain within the existing transmission line right-of-way and urbanized landscape. Wetland hydrology is supported by seasonal flooding of the perennial stream (LO-01) and a perched water table. Soils are mixed with rock and debris from past construction. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phragmites australis.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 7 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 7 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is seasonal flooding and a high water table.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-01

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ <b>OBL species</b> <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>140</u> x 2 = <u>280</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>15</u> x 4 = <u>60</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>155</u> (A) <u>340</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.194</u>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	100	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
2. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. <i>Solidago canadensis</i>	15	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

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## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-01

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

## Remarks:

Soil is mixed with rock, brick, and other debris from past construction. Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area located south of the existing substation was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland. The soil profile of this wetland habitat was identified as being significantly disturbed by previous construction activities due to presence of rock, brick, and other debris.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-02  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 0.5 % / 0.3 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.512136 **Long.:** -82.915062 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☒ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-02 (W-200114-MRK-002 PSS). This PSS wetland is located within a depression in the floodplain of the perennial stream, LO-01. Wetland LO-02 is separated from LO-03 and the perennial stream by a small grass travel lane within the existing ROW. Hydrology connection between these resources were observed as seasonal flooding. The surrounding area is relatively flat within the existing transmission line right-of-way and urbanized developments. Wetland hydrology is supported by seasonal flooding and a perched water table. Soils in the area are mixed with rock and other debris from past construction. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Cornus racemosa and Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 7 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 7 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is seasonal flooding and a high water table.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-02

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. <u>Cornus racemosa</u>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	Total % Cover of: <u>10</u> Multiply by: <u>x 1 = 10</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	OBL species <u>10</u> x 1 = <u>10</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACW species <u>85</u> x 2 = <u>170</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FAC species <u>30</u> x 3 = <u>90</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Column Totals: <u>125</u> (A) <u>270</u> (B)
	30	<b>= Total Cover</b>		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.160</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <u>Phragmites australis</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <u>Epilobium coloratum</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <u>Carex sp.</u>	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	95	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		

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

Absolute cover of Carex sp is 30%. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

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## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-02**

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

[illegible]

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
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  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

## Remarks:

Soil is mixed with rock, brick, and other debris from past construction. Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area located south of the existing substation was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland. The soil profile of this wetland habitat was identified as being significantly disturbed by previous construction activities due to presence of rock, brick, and other debris.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-03  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 0.5 % / 0.3 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.511972 **Long.:** -82.915261 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☒ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-03 (W-200114-MRK-003 PEM). This PEM wetland is located within a depression that drains directly in the fringe wetland habitat of Wetland LO-03 located along the perennial watercourse (LO-01). The surrounding area is part of the watercourse floodplain within the existing transmission line right-of-way. Wetland hydrology is supported by seasonal flooding and a perched water table. Soils are mixed with rock and debris from past construction. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 2 Depth (inches): 0 Depth (inches): 0	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
<b>Remarks:</b> Source of hydrology is seasonal flooding and a high water table.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-03

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	OBL species <u>30</u> x 1 = <u>30</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACW species <u>80</u> x 2 = <u>160</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Column Totals: <u>110</u> (A) <u>190</u> (B)
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.727</u>
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Herb Stratum</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
(Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
2. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
3. <i>Scirpus atrovirens</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
4. <i>Juncus effusus</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
5. <i>Carex sp.</i>	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b><sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	110	<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b>				Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Absolute cover of Carex sp is 40%. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-03**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

## Remarks:

Soil is mixed with rock, brick, and other debris from past construction. Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area located south of the existing substation was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland. The soil profile of this wetland habitat was identified as being significantly disturbed by previous construction activities due to presence of rock, brick, and other debris.



**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-01, 02, 03 UPL****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range: S.****T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** none**Slope:** 0.5 % / 0.3 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.512501**Long.:** -82.915318**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☒ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-01 (W-200114-MRK-001), Wetland LO-02 (W-200114-MRK-002), and Wetland LO-03 (W-200114-MRK-003). Upland is located in the existing transmission line right-of-way, surrounded by residential and commercial properties.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-01, 02, 03 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: <u>0</u> Multiply by: <u>1</u> = <u>0</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>5</u> x 3 = <u>15</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>150</u> x 4 = <u>600</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>10</u> x 5 = <u>50</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>165</u> (A) <u>665</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.030</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	80	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <i>Cirsium arvense</i>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <i>Potentilla simplex</i>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <i>Plantago major</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. <i>Daucus carota</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	UPL	<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. <i>Rumex crispus</i>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	165	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-01, 02, 03 UPL

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)								
Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-6	10YR	3/3	100				Silt Loam	25% rock and fill material
6-8	10YR	5/3	100				Sandy Loam	50% rock and fill material

Type: C=Concentration. D=Depletion. RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains

Location: PL=Pore Lining. M=Matrix

Hydric Soil Indicators:

☐ Histosol (A1)

☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)

☐ Black Histic (A3)

☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)

☐ Stratified Layers (A5)

☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)

☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)

☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)

☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

☐ Sandy Redox (S5)

☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)

☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)

☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)

☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)

☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)

☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)

☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)

☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)

☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)

☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)

☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)

☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)

☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)

☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)

☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)

☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)

☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)

☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)

☐ Red Parent Material (F21)

☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)

☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if observed):

Type:

Depth (inches):

Hydric Soil Present? Yes No

Remarks:

Shovel refusal at 8 inches due to rock and fill material. The soil profile was identified as being significantly disturbed by previous construction activities due to presence of rock, brick, and other debris.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-04  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.509865 **Long.:** -82.915919 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-04 (W-200114-MRK-004 PEM). This PEM wetland begins within a shallow swale, located along the mowed edge of existing right-of-way. Swale becomes deeper and more well defined at the center of existing right-of-way. Swale is collecting surface runoff from the surrounding area and drains to a perennial watercourse just outside of the current study area. LO-04 is hydrologically and directly connected to the fringe wetland area of LO-03 located outside of the survey area. The wetland and surrounding upland field is mowed during the dry season. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundinacea and Eleocharis palustris.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is seasonal flooding and surface runoff.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-04

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>30</u> x 1 = <u>30</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>30</u> x 2 = <u>60</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>50</u> x 4 = <u>200</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>110</u> (A) <u>290</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.636</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <i>Trifolium repens</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	110	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Vegetation is regularly mowed during the dry season. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-04**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5)               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)                     |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) |  |

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)  
☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)  
☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)  
☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)  
☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)  
☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)  
☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)  
☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)  
☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)  
☐ Red Parent Material (F21)  
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)  
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Soil is mixed with rock, brick, and other debris from past construction. Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area located south of the existing substation was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland. The soil profile of this wetland habitat was identified as being significantly disturbed by previous construction activities due to the presence of rock, brick, and other debris.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** **Wetland LO-04 UPL**  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** none **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.509886 **Long.:** -82.915856 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-04 (W-200114-MRK-004). Upland is located in the existing transmission line right-of-way, surrounded by residential and commercial properties. Right-of-way is mowed on a regular basis.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____		<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-04 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b>				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACU species <u>110</u> x 4 = <u>440</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Column Totals: <u>110</u> (A) <u>440</u> (B)
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.000</u>
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Herb Stratum</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
(Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
1. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
2. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
3. <i>Trifolium repens</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	110	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b>				
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is mowed on a regular basis within the right-of-way.				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-04 UPL**

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-05  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.509147 **Long.:** -82.915840 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-05 (W-200114-MRK-005 PEM). This PEM wetland is located within a shallow, localized depression, situated in a 100-year floodplain. Wetland is mowed along with the surrounding upland on a regular basis during the dry season. Depression is collecting surface runoff from the surrounding area. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 2 Depth (inches): 0 Depth (inches): 0	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
<b>Remarks:</b> Source of hydrology is seasonal flooding and surface runoff.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-05

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: <u>50</u> Multiply by: <u>x 1 = 50</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>50</u> x 1 = <u>50</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>30</u> x 2 = <u>60</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>40</u> x 4 = <u>160</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>120</u> (A) <u>270</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.250</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <i>Trifolium repens</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	120	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is mowed within the transmission right-of-way on a regular basis during the dry season. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-05**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-06  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508642 **Long.:** -82.916060 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-06 (W-200114-MRK-006 PEM). This PEM wetland begins within the roadside ditch along East State Street and parallels the roadway. The swales also connects to a second swale along the adjacent railroad. The swales are collecting surface runoff and directing water to stormwater drains outside of the study area. The wetland boundary follows edge of swale and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundinacea and Phragmites australis.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-06

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>20</u> x 1 = <u>20</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>165</u> x 2 = <u>330</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>185</u> (A) <u>350</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.892</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	90	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	185	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-06**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-05 & LO-06 UPL  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** none **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508782 **Long.:** -82.915877 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetlands LO-05 (W-200114-MRK-005) and LO-06 (W-200114-MRK-006). Upland is located in the existing transmission line right-of-way, surrounded by residential and commercial properties. Right-of-way is mowed on a regular basis.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____			
		<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-05 & LO-06 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>135</u> x 4 = <u>540</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>135</u> (A) <u>540</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.000</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <i>Trifolium repens</i>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <i>Plantago major</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
	135	= Total Cover		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is mowed on a regular basis within the right-of-way.				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-05 & LO-06 UPL

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-07  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508123 **Long.:** -82.915952 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-07 (W-200115-MRK-001 PSS). This PSS wetland is located in a depression between an existing railroad right-of-way and a man-made berm. Surrounding area is part of a 100 year floodplain. A ditch along the side of the railroad is collecting hydrology and drains into this wetland with additional hydrologic input from seeps located along the toe-of-slope. The wetland continues outside of the survey area to the east and into a forested wetland. This portion of the forested wetland is directly connected to LO-09 wetland complex. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Cornus racemosa and Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff and toe-of-slope spring seeps.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-07

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. <u>Cornus racemosa</u>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	Total % Cover of: <u>55</u> Multiply by: <u>x 1 = 55</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>OBL species</b> <u>55</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>95</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>30</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>0</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<u>x 2 = 190</u> <u>x 3 = 90</u> <u>x 4 = 0</u> <u>x 5 = 0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Column Totals:</b> <u>180</u> (A) <u>335</u> (B)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.861</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	30	= Total Cover		
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	45	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <u>Phragmites australis</u>	30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <u>Lythrum salicaria</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. <u>Carex scoparia</u>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. <u>Scirpus atrovirens</u>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. <u>Epilobium coloratum</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	150	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>

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

See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-07**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-07 UPL****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range: S.****T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Hillside**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** convex**Slope:** 2.0 % / 1.1 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.507937**Long.:** -82.916124**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-07 (W-200115-MRK-001). Surrounding land use is existing transmission line and railroad right-of-way. Data point is located on top of a man-made berm located within the middle of the existing transmission line right of way between Wetlands LO-07 and LO-09.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-07 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>5</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>20.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ <b>OBL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>1</b> = <u>0</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>2</b> = <u>0</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>25</u> x <b>3</b> = <u>75</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>130</u> x <b>4</b> = <u>520</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>35</u> x <b>5</b> = <u>175</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>190</u> (A) <u>770</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.053</u>
1. <u>Lonicera morrowii</u>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0</b> <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations</b> <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <sup>1</sup> (Explain)  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Arctium lappa</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UPL	
2. <u>Apocynum cannabinum</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
3. <u>Solidago canadensis</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. <u>Glechoma hederacea</u>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
5. <u>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</u>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
6. <u>Dactylis glomerata</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
7. <u>Daucus carota</u>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	UPL	
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
		<b>= Total Cover</b>		<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b>          				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-07 UPL

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

[illegible]

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

Due to the absence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils the area was identified as not meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line **City/County:** Ottawa **Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20

**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy **State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-08

**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski **Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17

**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °

**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508444 **Long.:** -82.918891 **Datum:** NAD83

**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)

**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐

**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-08 (W-200114-MRK-007 PSS). This PSS wetland begins within a swale that is parallel to the existing railroad and is open-ended to the west. Water drains to a culvert and flows under the existing driveway to another wetland located on the east side of the driveway. The wetland boundary follows edge of swale.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): 4 Depth (inches): 0 Depth (inches): 0	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-08

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ <b>OBL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>1</b> = <u>0</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>55</u> x <b>2</b> = <u>110</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>20</u> x <b>3</b> = <u>60</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>4</b> = <u>0</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>5</b> = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>75</u> (A) <u>170</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.267</u>
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )</b>				
1. <u>Acer negundo</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <u>Cornus amomum</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. <u>Sambucus nigra</u>	15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>55 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Impatiens capensis</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )</b>				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>				

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

See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-08**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-09a  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508409 **Long.:** -82.918692 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** PEM1C

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-09a (W-200114-MRK-008 PSS). PSS section of a PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex that begins within a swale parallel to the existing railroad right-of-way. The area is flat where water overflows the banks of a swale and into an agricultural field. Water drains to the east, and eventually into the existing transmission line right-of-way. Another section of PSS wetland is located within the existing right-of-way and this sample point is also representative of the portion within the existing right-of-way. This section of the wetland follows a depression that drains to a watercourse to the south. The wetland complex continues outside of the study area and is directly connected to Wetland LO-07 and Wetland LO-10. The wetland boundary follows edge of swale and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Acer negundo and Cornus amomum.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 6 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-09a

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ <b>OBL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>1</b> = <u>0</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>55</u> x <b>2</b> = <u>110</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>20</u> x <b>3</b> = <u>60</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>4</b> = <u>0</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>5</b> = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>75</u> (A) <u>170</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.267</u>
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )</b>				
1. <u>Acer negundo</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <u>Cornus amomum</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. <u>Sambucus nigra</u>	15	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>55 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Impatiens capensis</u>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )</b>				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>

**Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)**  
 See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-09a**

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

[illegible]

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-09b  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.508332 **Long.:** -82.918240 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** PEM1C

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☒ **, or Hydrology** ☒ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-09b (W-200114-MRK-008 PEM). PEM section of a PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex that begins within a swale parallel to the existing railroad right-of-way. The area is flat where water overflows the banks of a swale and into an agricultural field. Water drains to the east, and eventually into the existing transmission line right-of-way and this sample point is also representative of the portion within the existing right-of-way. Another section of PEM wetland is located within the existing right-of-way. This section of the wetland follows a depression that drains to a watercourse to the south. The wetland complex continues outside of the study area and is directly connected to Wetland LO-07 and Wetland LO-10. The wetland boundary follows edge of swale and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundinacea and Setaria pumila.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 6 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff. Tilling of soil from agriculture has allowed water to overflow the existing swale and drain into the field.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-09b

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACW species <u>110</u> x 2 = <u>220</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FAC species <u>40</u> x 3 = <u>120</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Column Totals: <u>150</u> (A) <u>340</u> (B)
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.267</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <i>Setaria pumila</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. <i>Impatiens capensis</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. <i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
	150	<b>= Total Cover</b>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is disturbed by agriculture. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-09b**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5)               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)             | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)             |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)                     |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)                 |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B) |  |

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Soils are slightly mixed due to agriculture. Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-09c****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range: S.****T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave**Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.507219**Long.:** -82.916225**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay**NWI classification:** PEM1C**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-09c (W-200114-MRK-008 PUB). The PUB sections of the PEM/PSS/PUB wetland complex are located within the existing transmission right-of-way and drain from north to southern direction. The sample taken within the northern PUB section is representative of conditions within the southern PUB section. The northern PUB portion is open-ended to the east and the southern PUB boundary was fully delineated. The PUBs generally drain towards the southern direction and eventually discharges into Stream LO-02. The wetland complex continues outside of the study area and is directly connected to Wetland LO-07 and Wetland LO-10.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	24
Water Table Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	0
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	0
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is spring seeps, surface runoff, and seasonal flooding.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-09c

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>30</u> x 1 = <u>30</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>150</u> x 2 = <u>300</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>180</u> (A) <u>330</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.833</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <i>Scirpus cyperinus</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. <i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	180	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>

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

Vegetation is primarily limited to the pond edge. See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-09c

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 14-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-08 & LO-09 UPL****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range: S.****T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** convex**Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.508282**Long.:** -82.918492**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetlands LO-08 (W-200114-MRK-007) and LO-09 (W-200114-MRK-008). The sample point is located east of the private drive and directly north of the boundary of LO-09, located within a fallow field and adjacent to an agricultural field.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
		<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b>	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-08 & LO-09 UPL

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>None</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				
1. <i>Setaria pumila</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
3. <i>Cirsium arvense</i>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. <i>Phytolacca americana</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	160	<b>= Total Cover</b>		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	<b>= Total Cover</b>		

**Dominance Test worksheet:**

Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1 (A)

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

Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 50.0% (A/B)

**Prevalence Index worksheet:**

Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>
FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>
FAC species <u>75</u>	x 3 = <u>225</u>
FACU species <u>85</u>	x 4 = <u>340</u>
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>
Column Totals: <u>160</u> (A)	<u>565</u> (B)
Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.531</u>	

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**

☐ Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation

☐ Dominance Test is > 50%

☐ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>

☐ Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)

☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)

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

**Definitions of Vegetation Strata:**

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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..

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

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

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?** Yes ☐ No ☒

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

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## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-08 & LO-09 UPL

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 16-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-10  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.504430 **Long.:** -82.916852 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-11 (W-200116-MRK-010 PEM). This PEM wetland is located on the north side of Highway 2 and that originates from Wetland LO-09 complex draining into the swale along the highway. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Typha angustifolia and Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 6 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:			
<b>Remarks:</b> Source of hydrology is surface runoff and seasonal flooding.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-10

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of:      Multiply by: <b>OBL species</b> <u>85</u> x <b>1</b> = <u>85</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>40</u> x <b>2</b> = <u>80</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>3</b> = <u>0</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>4</b> = <u>0</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u> x <b>5</b> = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>125</u> (A) <u>165</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.320</u>
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0</b> <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations</b> <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <sup>1</sup> (Explain)  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
1. <i>Typha angustifolia</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	
2. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. <i>Epilobium coloratum</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

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## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-10**

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**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 16-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-10 UPL****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range: S.****T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Hillside**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** convex**Slope:** 3.0 % / 1.7 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.504329**Long.:** -82.916831**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☒ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-10 (W-200116-MRK-010). Surrounding land use is highway right-of-way and agriculture.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches): _____	<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-10 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>33.3%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>75</u> x 3 = <u>225</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>90</u> x 4 = <u>360</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>165</u> (A) <u>585</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.545</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <u>Setaria pumila</u>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <u>Dactylis glomerata</u>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <u>Festuca pratensis</u>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	165	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is disturbed annually due to agricultural practices.				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

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## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-10 UPL**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

Due to the absence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as not meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 16-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-11  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Swale **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.503238 **Long.:** -82.917258 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-11 (W-200116-MRK-009 PEM). This PEM wetland is located along a swale that abuts Highway 2 and continues outside of the survey area to the east and west. Outside of the survey area, the wetland continues and is directly connected to Wetland LO-12 and LO-13 complexes. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 3 Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff and seasonal flooding.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-11

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>50</u> x 1 = <u>50</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>60</u> x 2 = <u>120</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>110</u> (A) <u>170</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.545</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Typha angustifolia</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	110	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-11**

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-12a  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.502252 **Long.:** -82.917352 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-12a (W-200115-MRK-003 PEM). PEM section of a PEM/PSS/PFO wetland complex, located in a depression within the existing transmission line right-of-way. Wetland is open-ended to the east and west. Water is draining from the east across the existing right-of-way, and into the PFO wetland to the west. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phalaris arundanacea and Phragmites australis.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff and spring seeps.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-12a

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: <u>5</u> Multiply by: <u>1</u> = <u>5</u>
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>5</u> x 1 = <u>5</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>140</u> x 2 = <u>280</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>45</u> x 3 = <u>135</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>190</u> (A) <u>420</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.211</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	90	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <i>Microstegium vimineum</i>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. <i>Euthamia graminifolia</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. <i>Epilobium coloratum</i>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b><sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	190	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

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## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-12a**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

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

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-12b  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.502966 **Long.:** -82.916991 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes **NWI classification:** N/A

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-12a (W-200115-MRK-003 PSS). PSS section of a PEM/PSS/PFO wetland complex, located in a depression within the existing transmission line right-of-way. PSS portion is made up of two separate sections of scrub/shrub that parallel the area between transmission lines in the right-of-way. Wetland is open-ended to the east and west. Towards the west, the wetland continues along the edge of Highway 2 and eventually connects directly with Wetland LO-13. Towards the east, the wetland continues through fallow fields and connects directly to a man-made pond (abandoned query). Water is draining from the east across the existing right-of-way, and into the PFO wetland to the west. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Cornus racemosa and Cornus amomum.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 2 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff and spring seeps.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-12b

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>15'</u> radius )			0 = Total Cover	<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ <b>OBL species</b> <u>5</u> x 1 = <u>5</u> <b>FACW species</b> <u>160</u> x 2 = <u>320</u> <b>FAC species</b> <u>65</u> x 3 = <u>195</u> <b>FACU species</b> <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> <b>UPL species</b> <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>230</u> (A) <u>520</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.261</u>
1. <i>Cornus racemosa</i>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <i>Cornus amomum</i>	20	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5'</u> radius )			40 = Total Cover	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup></b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	90	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
2. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	
3. <i>Microstegium vimineum</i>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
4. <i>Euthamia graminifolia</i>	20	<input type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
5. <i>Epilobium coloratum</i>	5	<input type="checkbox"/>	OBL	
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )			190 = Total Cover	<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
			0 = Total Cover	<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>

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

See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.

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## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-12b

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 16-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-11 and LO-12 UPL**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Hillside**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** convex **Slope:** 3.0 % / 1.7 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.503278**Long.:** -82.917274**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** To; Toledo silty clay, 0 to 1 percent slopes**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-11 (W-200116-MRK-009). Surrounding land use is highway right-of-way and agriculture. Upland data point for Wetland LO-12	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
		<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b>	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-11 and LO-12 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>33.3%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>75</u> x 3 = <u>225</u> FACU species <u>90</u> x 4 = <u>360</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> <b>Column Totals:</b> <u>165</u> (A) <u>585</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.545</u>
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0</b> <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations</b> <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <sup>1</sup> (Explain)  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <i>Setaria pumila</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FAC	
2. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
3. <i>Festuca pratensis</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>165 = Total Cover</b>				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>0 = Total Cover</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Vegetation is disturbed annually due to agricultural practices.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-11 and LO-12 UPL**

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# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-13a  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L **Lat.:** 41.494527 **Long.:** -82.933613 **Datum:** NAD83  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay **NWI classification:** PFO1/EM1C

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-13a (W-200115-MRK-002 PEM). PEM section of a PEM/PFO wetland complex located in a depression within the floodplain of a perennial watercourses Stream LO-03 and LO-04. Hydrology is draining towards these streams. Additionally, the boundary of the wetland continues outside of the survey to the north and south of the existing transmission line right-of-way. Portions outside of the row contain PFO wetland habitats. The wetland also receives additional input from a connective wetland swale located along Highway 2 that connects this complex to Wetland LO-12 and Wetland LO-11. The overall wetland boundary follows the edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by Phragmites australis and Phalaris arundinacea.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): _____ Water Table Present? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 6 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 6 <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: Source of hydrology is surface runoff, seasonal flooding, and a high water table.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-13a

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>N</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>175</u> x 2 = <u>350</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>175</u> (A) <u>350</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.000</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Phragmites australis</i>	100	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	75	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	175	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

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## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-13a**

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**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region****Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**City/County:** Ottawa**Sampling Date:** 15-Jan-20**Applicant/Owner:** FirstEnergy**State:** OH**Sampling Point:****Wetland LO-13a/b UPL****Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.Bilski**Section, Township, Range:** S.**T.** 6N**R.** 17**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat**Local relief (concave, convex, none):** flat**Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR L**Lat.:** 41.498388**Long.:** -82.918379**Datum:** NAD83**Soil Map Unit Name:** Bo; Bono silty clay**NWI classification:** N/A**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)**Are Vegetation** ☒ **, Soil** ☒ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?****Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☐ No ☒**Are Vegetation** ☐ **, Soil** ☐ **, or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?**

(If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

**Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.**

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland (W-200115-MRK-002). Surrounding land use is existing transmission line right-of-way and agriculture. Data point is located in an agricultural field used for row crops.	

**Hydrology**

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</u>	
<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15)	<input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		<input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b>			
Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	Depth (inches):	
		<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b>	Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-13a/b UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>75</u> x 4 = <u>300</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>100</u> x 5 = <u>500</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>175</u> (A) <u>800</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.571</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <u>Glycine max</u>	100	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	UPL	<input type="checkbox"/> Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. <u>Trifolium repens</u>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is > 50%
3. <u>Glechoma hederacea</u>	25	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	175	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> Soybean crop has been harvested from last season.				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-13a/b UPL

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Tilled agricultural field was likely part of the adjacent wetland complex in the past. Due to the absence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils the area was identified as not meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 17-Nov-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** First Energy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-40  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** concave **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR R **Lat.:** 41.514439 **Long.:** -82.915737 **Datum:** WGS84  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Ud: Udorthents, gently sloping **NWI classification:** NA

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Wetland LO-40 (W-201117-MRK-001). This PEM wetland is located in a small depression along a perennial watercourse. The primary source of wetland hydrology is from surface runoff from the surrounding area collecting in a slight depression. The vegetation is dominated by Epilobium coloratum, Typha angustifolia, and Leersia oryzoides.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:			
Remarks:			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-40

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
(Plot size: <u>None</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.0%</u> (A/B)
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>none</u> )				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b>
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		OBL species <u>140</u> x 1 = <u>140</u>
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACW species <u>10</u> x 2 = <u>20</u>
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Column Totals: <u>150</u> (A) <u>160</u> (B)
	0	= Total Cover		Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.067</u>
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b>
1. <i>Epilobium coloratum</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b>
2. <i>Typha angustifolia</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b>
3. <i>Leersia oryzoides</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OBL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup></b>
4. <i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACW	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)</b>
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)</b>
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<sup>1</sup> <b>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.</b>
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Tree - Woody plants, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Sapling/shrub - Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1m) tall..
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
	150	= Total Cover		
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>none</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
	0	= Total Cover		
				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b> See Appendix D of the Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report for representative photographs of the habitat and soil profile.				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point: Wetland LO-40**

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Due to the presence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



# WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Northcentral and Northeast Region

**Project/Site:** Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line  
**City/County:** Ottawa  
**Sampling Date:** 17-Nov-20  
**Applicant/Owner:** First Energy  
**State:** OH **Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-40 UPL  
**Investigator(s):** M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks  
**Section, Township, Range:** S. T. 6N R. 17E  
**Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.):** Flat **Local relief (concave, convex, none):** convex **Slope:** 1.0 % / 0.6 °  
**Subregion (LRR or MLRA):** LRR R **Lat.:** 41.514478 **Long.:** -82.9156773 **Datum:** WGS84  
**Soil Map Unit Name:** Ud: Udorthents, gently sloping **NWI classification:** NA

**Are climatic/hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year?** Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **significantly disturbed?** **Are "Normal Circumstances" present?** Yes ☒ No ☐  
**Are Vegetation** ☐ , **Soil** ☐ , **or Hydrology** ☐ **naturally problematic?** (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

## Summary of Findings - Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Hydric Soil Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> <b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)</b> Upland data point for Wetland LO-40 (W-201117-MRK-001). Surrounding land use is commercial property. The upland vegetation is dominated by Festuca pratensis, Trifolium repens, and Dactylis glomerata.	

## Hydrology

<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <b>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</b>		<b>Secondary Indicators (minimum of 2 required)</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2) <input type="checkbox"/> Drift deposits (B3) <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Fauna (B13) <input type="checkbox"/> Marl Deposits (B15) <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) <input type="checkbox"/> Moss Trim Lines (B16) <input type="checkbox"/> Dry Season Water Table (C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8) <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) <input type="checkbox"/> Microtopographic Relief (D4) <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-neutral Test (D5)	
<b>Field Observations:</b> Surface Water Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Water Table Present? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0 Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Depth (inches): 0			
<b>Wetland Hydrology Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>			
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: NA			
Remarks: No source of hydrology was observed.			



# VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: Wetland LO-40 UPL

Tree Stratum	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		<b>Dominance Test worksheet:</b> Number of Dominant Species That are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B)  Percent of dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0.0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>0</u> x 3 = <u>0</u> FACU species <u>125</u> x 4 = <u>500</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>125</u> (A) <u>500</u> (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.000</u>
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
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<b>= Total Cover</b>				
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
<b>= Total Cover</b>				
<b>Herb Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>5' radius</u> )				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Dominance Test is &gt; 50%</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Prevalence Index is ≤3.0</b> <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Morphological Adaptations</b> <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation</b> <sup>1</sup> (Explain)  <sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <i>Festuca pratensis</i>	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
2. <i>Trifolium repens</i>	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
3. <i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	25	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
4. <i>Plantago major</i>	10	<input type="checkbox"/>	FACU	
5. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
6. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
7. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
8. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
9. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
10. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
11. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
12. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Definitions of Vegetation Strata:</b>  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 3.28 ft (1m) tall..  Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.  Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
<b>Woody Vine Stratum</b> (Plot size: <u>none</u> )				
1. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
2. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
3. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
4. _____	0	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>= Total Cover</b>				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?</b> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<b>Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)</b>          				

\*Indicator suffix = National status or professional decision assigned because Regional status not defined by FWS.



## Soil

**Sampling Point:** Wetland LO-40 UPL

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

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

### Hydric Soil Indicators:

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
  - ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
  - ☐ Black Histic (A3)
  - ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
  - ☐ Stratified Layers (A5)
  - ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
  - ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
  - ☐ Sandy Muck Mineral (S1)
  - ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
  - ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
  - ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
  - ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)
  - ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) LRR K, L)
  - ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
  - ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
  - ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
  - ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
  - ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

### Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils :

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L, M)
- ☐ Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
- ☐ Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
- ☐ Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
- ☐ Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (F21)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

**Restrictive Layer (if observed):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

Rock refusal at 8 inches. Due to the absence of hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soils, the area was identified as not meeting the federal definition of a wetland.



**APPENDIX B**  
**OEPA WETLAND ORAM FORMS**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
	<b>Background Information Scoring</b> <b>Boundary Worksheet Narrative</b> <b>Rating</b> <b>Field Form Quantitative Rating</b> <b>ORAM Summary Worksheet</b> <b>Wetland Categorization Worksheet</b>

Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water Final:  
February 1, 2001

### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>



## Background Information

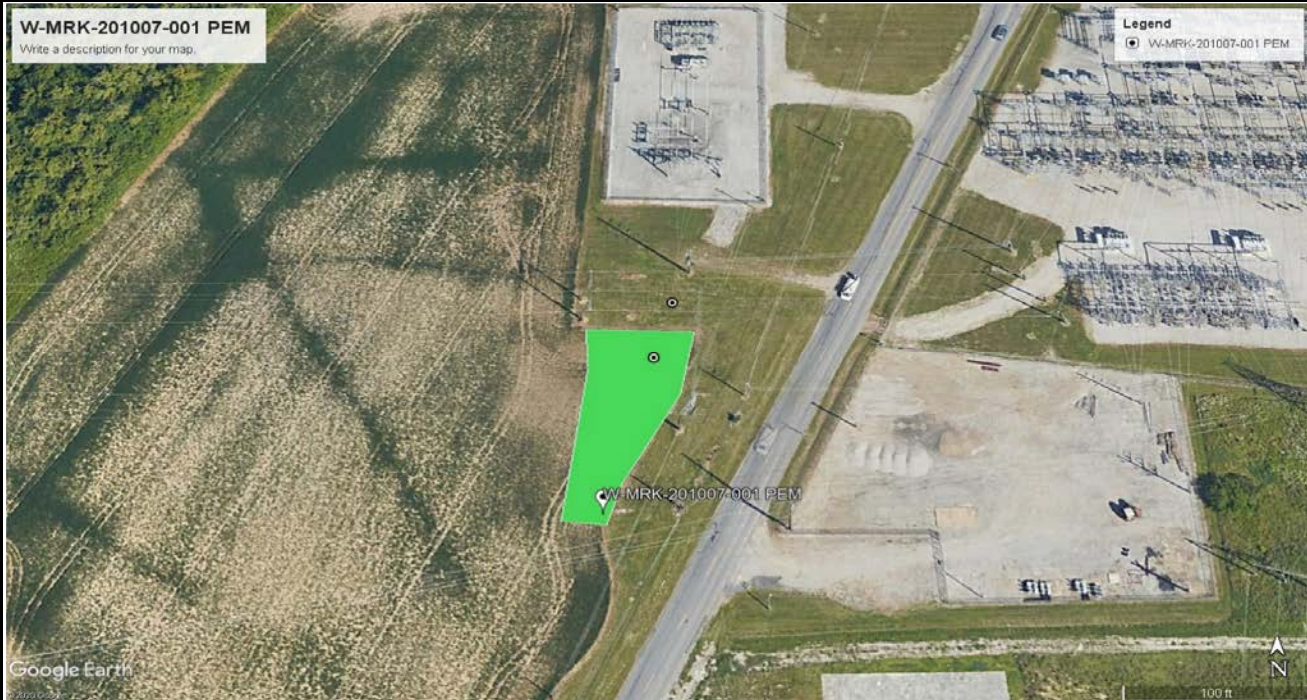
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<b>e-mail address:</b>	<b>matthew.kline@aecom.com</b>
<b>Name of Wetland:</b>	<b>LG-01</b>
<b>Vegetation Communit(ies):</b>	<b>PEM</b>
<b>HGM Class(es):</b>	<b>Depressed</b>

**Location of Wetland:** include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.

**See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.**

Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	<b>41.432325</b>
USGS Quad Name:	<b>-82.729113</b>
County:	<b>Erie</b>
Township:	<b>Perkins</b>
Section and Subsection:	<b>6N, 23W</b>
Hydrologic Unit Code:	<b>Mills Creek - HUC 12 (041000110103)</b>
Site Visit:	<b>10/7/2020</b>
National Wetland Inventory Map:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Soil Survey:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Delineation report/map:	<b>See Figure 3</b>



Name of Wetland:	LG-01		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	0.16	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	0.16
Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.			
<div><div>W-MRK-201007-001 PEM</div><div>Write a description for your map.</div><div></div></div>			
Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:			
<p>This PEM wetland is located within an isolated depression surrounded by agriculture. The depression is collecting surface runoff from the surrounding hay field. The wetland boundary follows edge of depression and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by <i>Setaria pumila</i>.</p>			
Final score:	14	Category:	1



### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.		X
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap>. The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<p><b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?</p>	<p>YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a</p>
<p><b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?</p>	<p>YES Go to Question 9b</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10</p>
<p><b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?</p>	<p>YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c</p>
<p><b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.</p>	<p>YES Go to Question 9d</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10</p>
<p><b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?</p>	<p>YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10</p>	<p>NO Go to Question 9e</p>
<p><b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?</p>	<p>YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10</p>	<p>NO Go to Question 10</p>
<p><b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.</p>	<p>YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11</p>
<p><b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).</p>	<p>YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating</p>	<p><b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating</p>



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks	<b>Date:</b>	10/7/2020
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**Field ID:**

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<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>
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max 6 pts subtotal

**Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).**

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☒ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☐ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

<b>Delineated acres:</b>	0.16
<b>Total acres:</b>	0.16

<b>1.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>
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max 14 pts. subtotal

**Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.**

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☐ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>8.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>
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max 30 pts. subtotal

**Metric 3. Hydrology.**

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☒ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/Intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☐ Recovering (3)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☐ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ditch            | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>3.0</b>	<b>13.0</b>
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max 20 pts. subtotal

**Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.**

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☐ Recovering (2)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select only one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☐ Poor to fair (2)
- ☒ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☐ Recovering (3)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing    | <input type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing              | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting         | <input type="checkbox"/> sedimentation                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting    | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> farming             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants     | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment            |

<b>13.0</b>
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0.0 13.0  
max 10 pts. subtotal

**Metric 5. Special Wetlands.**

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

1.0 14.0  
max 20pts. subtotal

**Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.**

**6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Aquatic bed  
☒ 1 Emergent  
☐ Shrub  
☐ Forest  
☐ Mudflats  
☐ Open water  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.**

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☐ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☐ Low (1)  
☒ x None (0)

**6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer**

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☐ Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☒ x Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☐ Absent (1)

**6d. Microtopography.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☐ Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☐ Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☐ Amphibian breeding pools

**Vegetation Community Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

**Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality**

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

**Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality**

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

**Microtopography Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

14.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		<b>Circle answer or insert score</b>		<b>Result</b>
Narrative Rating	Question 1. Critical Habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES	NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES	NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>1</b>		
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>1</b>		
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>8</b>		
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>3</b>		
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>		
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>1</b>		
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>14</b>		Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

Final Category				
Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	

**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
	<b>Background Information Scoring</b> <b>Boundary Worksheet Narrative</b> <b>Rating</b> <b>Field Form Quantitative Rating</b> <b>ORAM Summary Worksheet</b> <b>Wetland Categorization Worksheet</b>

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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

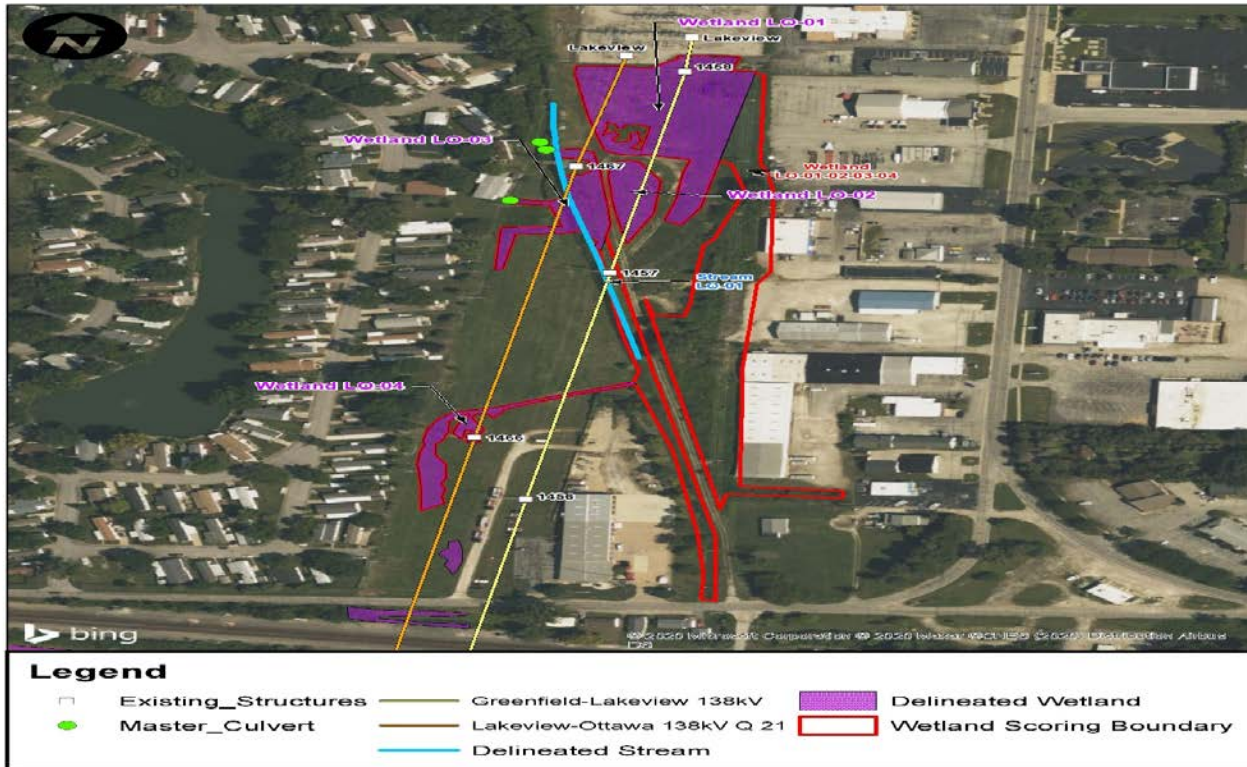
Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>



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e-mail address:	<a href="mailto:matthew.kline@aecom.com">matthew.kline@aecom.com</a>
Name of Wetland:	LO-01, LO-02, LO-03, and LO-04
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PEM and PSS
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.512485, -82.914883
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Lacarbe Creek-Frontal Lake Erie (041000100503)
Site Visit:	1/14/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-01, LO-02, LO-03, and LO-04		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	2.32	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	4.82
Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.			



**Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:**

Wetland LO-01 (PEM), LO-02 (PSS), LO-03 (PEM), and LO-04 (PEM) are a single wetland complex that is adjacent and/or abutting a perennial watercourse. The wetland complex is located in a depressional floodplain area that has periodic flooding and presence of a perched water table. The boundary of the wetland continues outside of the survey area and the four segments of this wetland complex are directly connected to each other. All wetlands are situated within an existing overhead electric utility ROW and have recent disturbances from mowing and/or runoff from the surrounding urban areas.

Final score:	24	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccus</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.Bilski	<b>Date:</b>	1/14/2020
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<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

- Select one size class and assign score.
- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
  - ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
  - ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
  - ☒ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
  - ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
  - ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
  - ☐ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

### Field ID:

W-200114-MRK-001, W-200114-MRK-002, W-200114-MRK-003, W-200114-MRK-004

Delineated acres:	2.32
Total acres:	4.82

<b>1.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

#### 2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

#### 2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☐ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>16.0</b>	<b>20.0</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

#### 3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☒ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☒ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

#### 3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

#### 3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### 3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

#### 3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

#### Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>7.0</b>	<b>27.0</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

#### 4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### 4b. Habitat development. Select one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☒ Poor to fair (2)
- ☐ Poor (1)

#### 4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing                         | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sedimentation         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting               | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants                | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment              |

<b>27.0</b>
subtotal this page

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Wetland ID: LO-01, LO-02, LO-03, and LO-04

Site: Lakeview-Greenfield Rater(s): M.R.Kline, L.Bilski Date: 1/14/2020

27.0  
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Field ID:

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0.0 27.0  
max 10 pts. subtotal

Metric 5. Special Wetlands.

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

-3.0 24.0  
max 20pts. subtotal

Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.

6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Aquatic bed  
☒ 1 Emergent  
☒ 0 Shrub  
☐ Forest  
☐ Mudflats  
☐ Open water  
☐ Other

6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☐ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☒ x Low (1)  
☐ None (0)

6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☒ x Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☐ Absent (1)

6d. Microtopography.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☒ 0 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☒ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☒ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☒ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

Vegetation Community Cover Scale

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

Microtopography Cover Scale

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

24.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
1 Category



<b>Wetland ID:</b>	<b>LO-01, LO-02, LO-03, and LO-04</b>
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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		<b>Circle answer or insert score</b>	<b>Result</b>
Narrative Rating	Question 1 Critical Habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>3</b>	
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>1</b>	
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>16</b>	
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>7</b>	
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>-3</b>	
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>24</b>	Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



<b>Wetland ID:</b>	<b>LO-01, LO-02, LO-03, and LO-04</b>
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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

Final Category				
Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	

**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>

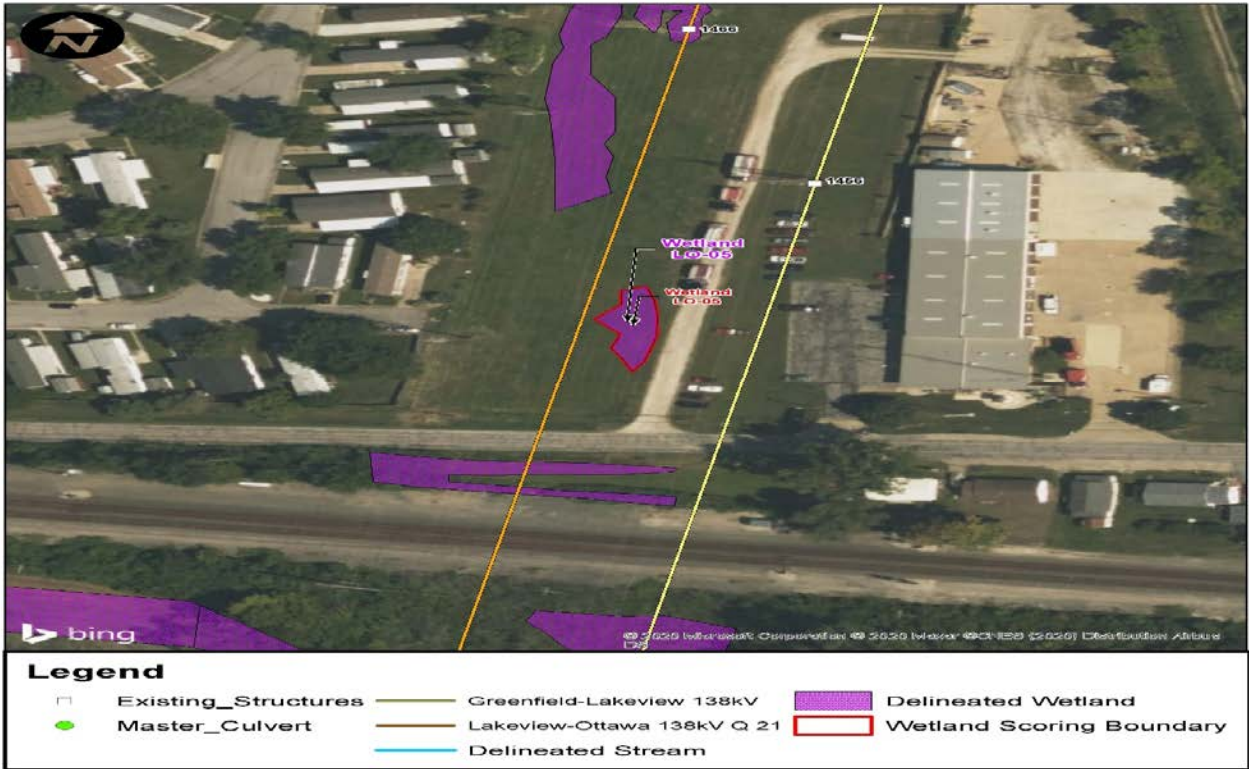


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Name of Wetland:	LO-05
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PEM
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.509124, -82.915833
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Lacarbe Creek-Frontal Lake Erie (041000100503)
Site Visit:	1/14/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-05		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	0.04	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	0.04

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

Wetland LO-05 (PEM) is located in a shallow isolated depression that is frequently mowed during the drier seasons. The depression collects surface water runoff from the surrounding areas and is situated within a 100-year floodplain.

Final score:	14	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks	<b>Date:</b>	1/14/2020
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<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☒ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

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Delineated acres:	0.04
Total acres:	0.04

<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☐ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☒ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>8.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☐ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>6.0</b>	<b>16.0</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☐ Poor to fair (2)
- ☒ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing                         | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting                    | <input type="checkbox"/> sedimentation                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting               | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants                | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment              |

<b>16.0</b>
subtotal this page

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16.0  
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0.0 16.0  
max 10 pts. subtotal

Metric 5. Special Wetlands.

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

-2.0 14.0  
max 20pts. subtotal

Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.

6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Aquatic bed  
☐ 1 Emergent  
☐ 0 Shrub  
☐ 0 Forest  
☐ 0 Mudflats  
☐ 0 Open water  
☐ Other

6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☐ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☐ Low (1)  
☒ x None (0)

6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☐ Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☒ x Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☐ Absent (1)

6d. Microtopography.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☐ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

Vegetation Community Cover Scale

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

Microtopography Cover Scale

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

14.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		<b>Circle answer or insert score</b>	<b>Result</b>
Narrative Rating	Question 1. Critical Habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>2</b>	
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>8</b>	
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>6</b>	
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>-2</b>	
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>14</b>	Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

Final Category				
Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	

**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>

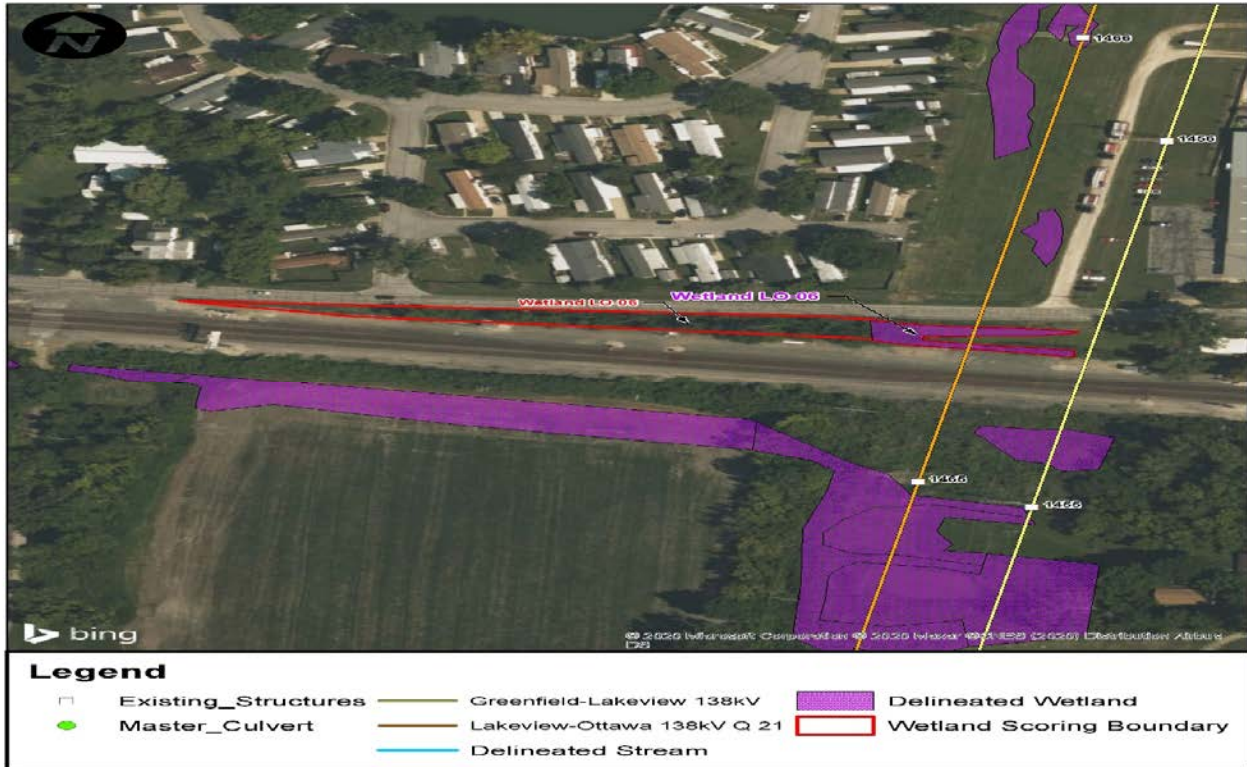


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Name of Wetland:	LO-06
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PEM
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.508617, -82.916227
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Lacarbe Creek-Frontal Lake Erie (041000100503)
Site Visit:	1/14/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-06		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	0.10	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	0.41

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

Wetland LO-06 (PEM) begins within the roadside ditch along East State Street and parallels the roadway. The wetland swales also connect to a second swale along the adjacent railroad. The swales are collecting surface runoff and directing water to stormwater drains outside of the study area. The wetland boundary follows edge of swale and hydrophytic vegetation dominated by *Phalaris arundinacea* and *Phragmites australis*.

Final score:	14	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☒ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☐ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

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<b>Delineated acres:</b>	0.10
<b>Total acres:</b>	0.41

<b>1.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☐ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>8.0</b>	<b>11.0</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☐ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>6.0</b>	<b>17.0</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select only one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☐ Poor to fair (2)
- ☒ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing                         | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting                    | <input type="checkbox"/> sedimentation                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting               | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants                | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment              |

<b>17.0</b>
subtotal this page

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0.0 17.0  
max 10 pts. subtotal

Metric 5. Special Wetlands.

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

-3.0 14.0  
max 20pts. subtotal

Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.

6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Aquatic bed  
☐ 1 Emergent  
☐ 0 Shrub  
☐ 0 Forest  
☐ 0 Mudflats  
☐ 0 Open water  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☐ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☒ x Low (1)  
☐ None (0)

6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☒ x Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☐ Absent (1)

6d. Microtopography.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☐ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

Vegetation Community Cover Scale

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

Microtopography Cover Scale

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

14.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		<b>Circle answer or insert score</b>	<b>Result</b>
Narrative Rating	Question 1. Critical Habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>2</b>	
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>1</b>	
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>8</b>	
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>6</b>	
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>-3</b>	
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>14</b>	Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

### Final Category

Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	
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**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>

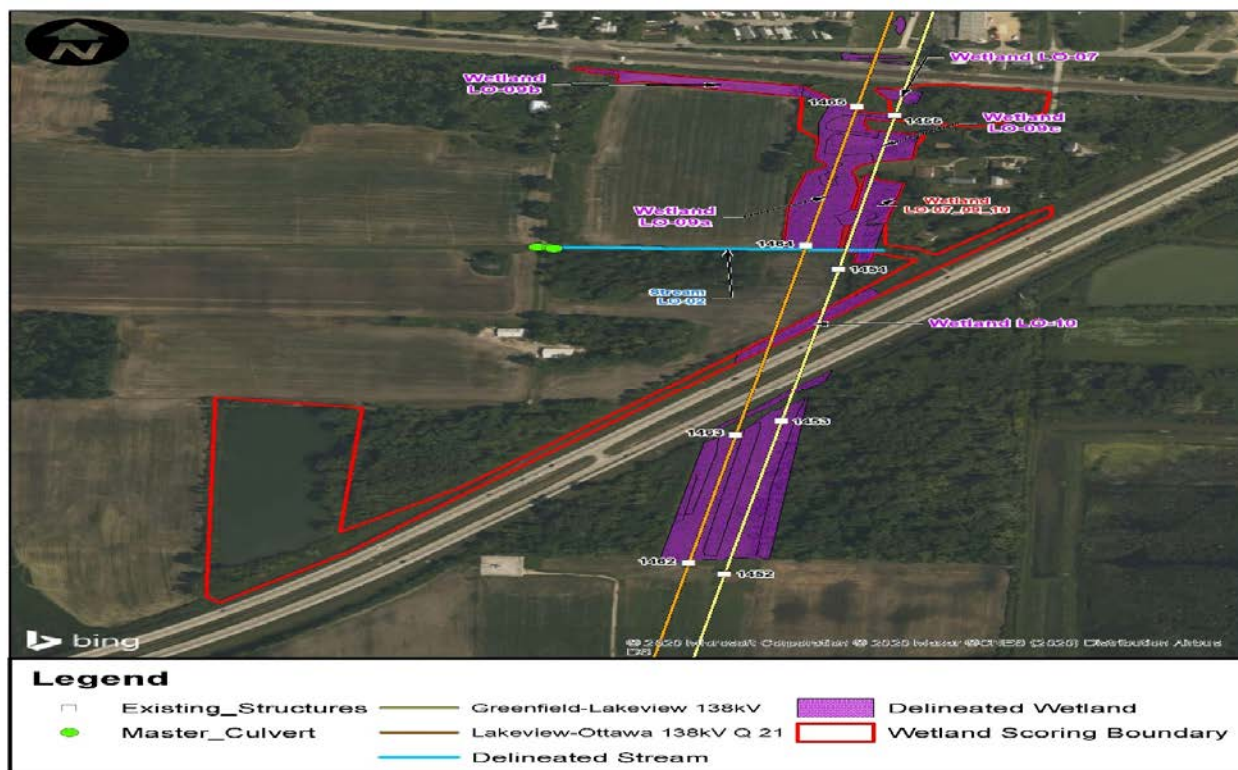


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Name of Wetland:	LO-07, LO-09a, LO-09b, LO-09c, LO-10
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PEM, PSS, and PUB
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.507346 , -82.916243
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Town of Gypsum-Frontal Sandusky Bay (041000111405)
Site Visit:	1/14 thru 1/16/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-07, LO-09a, LO-09b, LO-09c, LO-10		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	4.69	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	17.77

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

Wetland LO-07 (PSS), LO-09a/b/c (PSS/PEM/PUB), and LO-10 (PEM) are composed of a single wetland complex that is hydrologically and directly connected. The PSS portion of LO-07 is located along a depressional area along the edge of an existing railroad ROW that drains towards the north and into a ditch along the railroad. LO-09a/b/c drains is directly connected to LO-07 located along the western side of the existing electric ROW and survey area. LO-09a/b/c was identified along the edge of an agricultural field and hydrology drains towards the east. Towards the southern end of the LO-09a/b/c complex a direct connection to LO-10 (PEM) was observed. The wetland LO-09a/b/c drains directly into LO-10, which is located along the edge of the agricultural field and berm of highway.

Final score:	29.5	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	<b>Lakeview-Greenfield</b>	<b>Rater(s):</b>	<b>M.R.Kline, L.Bilski</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>1/14 thru 1/16/2020</b>
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<b>4.0</b>	<b>4.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

- Select one size class and assign score.
- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
  - ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
  - ☒ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
  - ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
  - ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
  - ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
  - ☐ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

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Delineated acres:	4.69
Total acres:	17.77

<b>3.0</b>	<b>7.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

#### 2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

#### 2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☒ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>14.5</b>	<b>21.5</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

#### 3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☒ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☒ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

#### 3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

#### 3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### 3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

#### 3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☒ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

#### Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch            | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir                        | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>7.0</b>	<b>28.5</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

#### 4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### 4b. Habitat development. Select only one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☒ Poor to fair (2)
- ☐ Poor (1)

#### 4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

#### Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing                         | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting                    | <input type="checkbox"/> sedimentation                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting               | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants                | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment              |

<b>28.5</b>
subtotal this page

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28.5

subtotal this page

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0.0 28.5

max 10 pts.

subtotal

### Metric 5. Special Wetlands.

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)
- ☐ Fen (10)
- ☐ Old growth forest (10)
- ☐ Mature forested wetland (5)
- ☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)
- ☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)
- ☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)
- ☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)
- ☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)
- ☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)
- ☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

1.0 29.5

max 20pts.

subtotal

### Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.

#### 6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Aquatic bed
- ☐ 1 Emergent
- ☐ 1 Shrub
- ☐ 0 Forest
- ☐ Mudflats
- ☐ 1 Open water
- ☐ Other

#### 6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)
- ☐ Moderately high(4)
- ☐ Moderate (3)
- ☒ Moderately low (2)
- ☐ Low (1)
- ☐ None (0)

#### 6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☒ x Extensive >75% cover (-5)
- ☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)
- ☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)
- ☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)
- ☐ Absent (1)

#### 6d. Microtopography.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 1 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks
- ☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)
- ☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh
- ☐ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

#### Vegetation Community Cover Scale

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area
- 1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality
- 2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality
- 3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

#### Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

#### Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)
- 1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)
- 2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)
- 3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

#### Microtopography Cover Scale

- 0 Absent
- 1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality
- 2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality
- 3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

29.5 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)

1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		<b>Circle answer or insert score</b>	<b>Result</b>
Narrative Rating	Question 1 Critical Habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>4</b>	
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>3</b>	
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>14.5</b>	
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>7</b>	
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>1</b>	
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>29.5</b>	Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



<b>Wetland ID:</b>	<b>LO-07, LO-09a, LO-09b, LO-09c, LO-10</b>
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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

Final Category				
Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	

**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
	<b>Background Information Scoring</b> <b>Boundary Worksheet Narrative</b> <b>Rating</b> <b>Field Form Quantitative Rating</b> <b>ORAM Summary Worksheet</b> <b>Wetland Categorization Worksheet</b>

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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>

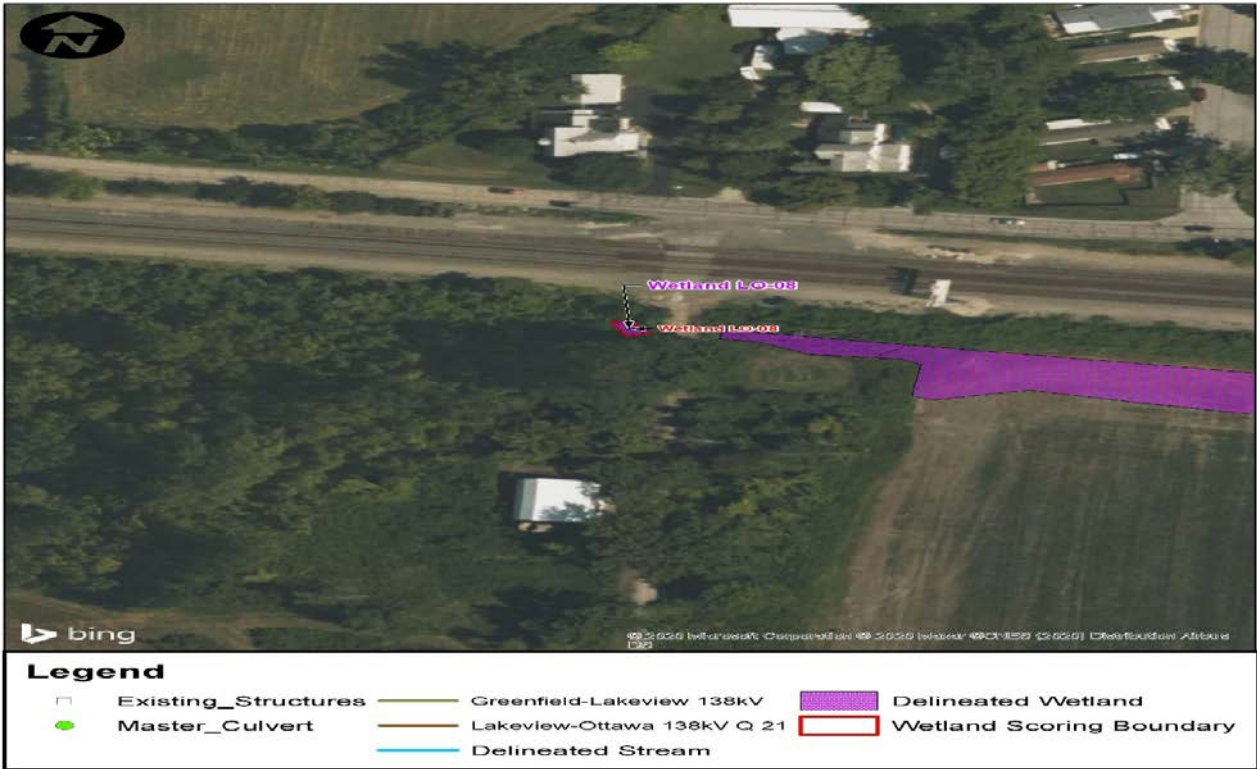


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e-mail address:	<a href="mailto:matthew.kline@aecom.com">matthew.kline@aecom.com</a>
Name of Wetland:	LO-08
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PSS
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.508412 , -82.918907
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Town of Gypsum-Frontal Sandusky Bay (041000111405)
Site Visit:	1/14/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-08		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	<0.01	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	<0.01

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

Wetland LO-08 (PSS) is a small wetland that originates within a swale that is parallel to a existing railroad grad and open-ended to the west. The hydrology is sourced from the swale collecting runoff within a swale along the edge of the railroad. The eastern boundary of the wetland end at the boundary of the existing gravel private drive.

Final score:	21	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.Bilski	<b>Date:</b>	1/14/2020
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<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☒ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

### Field ID:

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<b>Delineated acres:</b>	<0.01
<b>Total acres:</b>	<0.01

<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☒ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>8.0</b>	<b>11.0</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☐ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>7.0</b>	<b>18.0</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☒ Poor to fair (2)
- ☐ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> grazing              | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> clearcutting         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sedimentation       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting    | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants     | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment            |

<b>18.0</b>
subtotal this page

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Wetland ID: LO-08

Site: Lakeview-Greenfield Rater(s): M.R.Kline, L.Bilski Date: 1/14/2020

18.0  
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Field ID:  
W-200114-MRK-007 PSS

0.0 18.0  
max 10 pts. subtotal

**Metric 5. Special Wetlands.**

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

3.0 21.0  
max 20pts. subtotal

**Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.**

**6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Aquatic bed  
☐ Emergent  
☒ 1 Shrub  
☐ Forest  
☐ Mudflats  
☐ Open water  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.**

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☐ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☒ x Low (1)  
☐ None (0)

**6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer**

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☐ Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☒ x Absent (1)

**6d. Microtopography.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☐ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

**Vegetation Community Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

**Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality**

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

**Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality**

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

**Microtopography Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

21.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		Circle answer or insert score		Result
Narrative Rating	Question 1. Critical Habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES	NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES	NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.	
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	0		
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	3		
	Metric 3. Hydrology	8		
	Metric 4. Habitat	7		
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	0		
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	3		
	TOTAL SCORE	21		Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

### Final Category

Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	
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**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



<b>Version 5.0</b>	<b>Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands 10 Page Form for Wetland Categorization</b>
	<b>Background Information Scoring</b> <b>Boundary Worksheet Narrative</b> <b>Rating</b> <b>Field Form Quantitative Rating</b> <b>ORAM Summary Worksheet</b> <b>Wetland Categorization Worksheet</b>

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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>

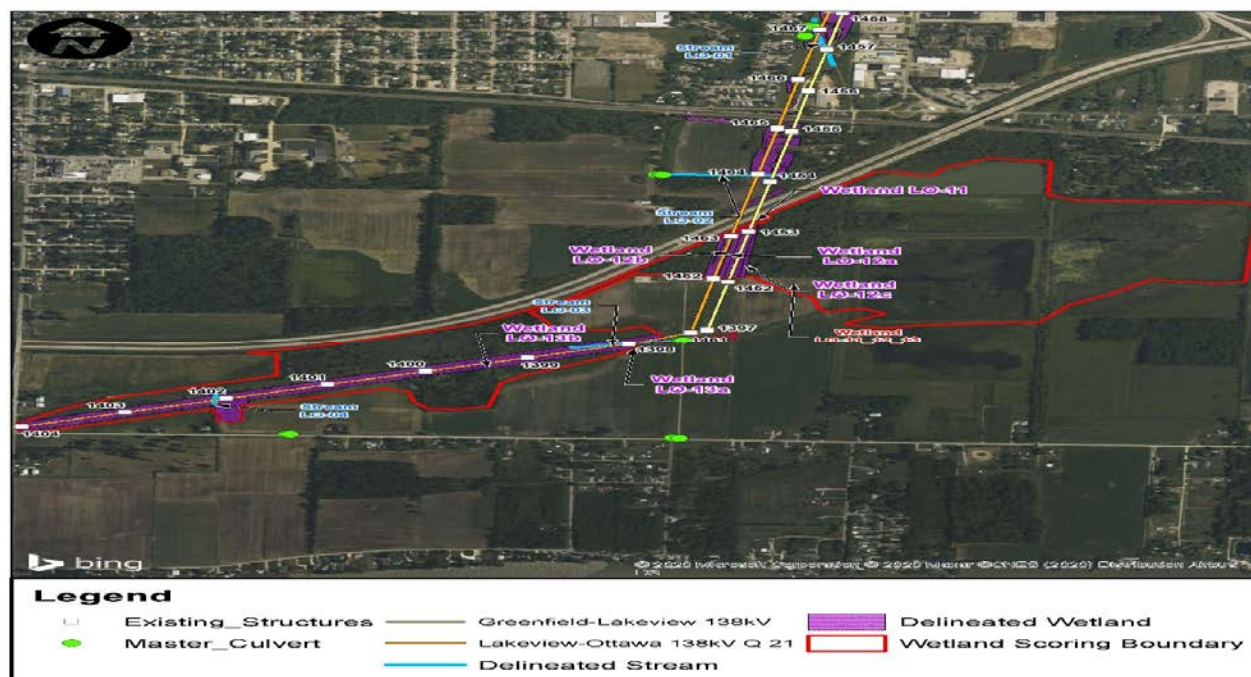


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Name of Wetland:	LO-11, LO-12, and LO-13
Vegetation Communit(ies):	PEM/PSS/PFO
HGM Class(es):	Depressed
Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.	
<p><b>See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.</b></p>	
Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	41.502379, -82.917017
USGS Quad Name:	Port Clinton and Vickery
County:	Ottawa
Township:	Portage
Section and Subsection:	6N, 17E
Hydrologic Unit Code:	Town of Gypsum-Frontal Sandusky Bay (041000111405)
Site Visit:	1/15/2020
National Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	See Figure 2
Soil Survey:	See Figure 2
Delineation report/map:	See Figure 3



Name of Wetland:	LO-11, LO-12, and LO-13		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	21.23	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	211.00

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

Wetland LO-11, LO-12, and LO-13 are a single wetland complex connected by a swale/depression along Highway 2. The Wetland LO-11 represents the PEM conditions of the connective swale within the survey area that continues to the east and west that provides the direct connection to both LO-12 and LO-13. The Wetland LO-12 is composed of PEM, PSS, and PFO wetland habitats situated on the south side of Highway 2 and directly north of an active agricultural field. The Wetland LO-13 is situated within an agricultural field and open ends to the north and south with a stream that runs through the wetland complex. The general drainage of this system is from the east to the west where it discharges into a large man-made pond. This wetland complex was not identified as being directly connected to Wetland LO-14 due to difference in hydrologic sources and quantity/volume of hydrology. For instance, the hydrologic input for LO-11, LO-12, and LO-13 is directly contributed by a riverine complex. Whereas, LO-14 (located east Fulton Street) is directly influenced by Sandusky Bay.

Final score:	37.5	Category:	2
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.	X	
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.	X	
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.	X	
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.	X	
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.	X	
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		X

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.Bilski	<b>Date:</b>	1/15/2020
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<b>6.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>
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max 6 pts subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☒ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☐ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

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<b>Delineated acres:</b>	21.23
<b>Total acres:</b>	211.00

<b>4.0</b>	<b>10.0</b>
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max 14 pts. subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☒ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☐ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☒ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>16.5</b>	<b>26.5</b>
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max 30 pts. subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☒ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☒ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☒ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☒ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ditch            | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir                        | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>8.0</b>	<b>34.5</b>
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max 20 pts. subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☒ Recovering (2)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☒ Fair (3)
- ☐ Poor to fair (2)
- ☐ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☒ Recovering (3)
- ☐ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> grazing              | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> clearcutting         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sedimentation         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting               | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> farming               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment   |

<b>34.5</b>
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34.5  
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0.0 34.5  
max 10 pts. subtotal

**Metric 5. Special Wetlands.**

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)  
☐ Fen (10)  
☐ Old growth forest (10)  
☐ Mature forested wetland (5)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)  
☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)  
☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)  
☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)  
☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)  
☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)  
☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

3.0 37.5  
max 20pts. subtotal

**Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.**

**6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ Aquatic bed  
☒ 1 Emergent  
☒ 1 Shrub  
☒ 1 Forest  
☐ Mudflats  
☐ 0 Open water  
☐ Other

**6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.**

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)  
☐ Moderately high(4)  
☒ Moderate (3)  
☐ Moderately low (2)  
☐ Low (1)  
☐ None (0)

**6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer**

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☒ x Extensive >75% cover (-5)  
☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)  
☐ Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)  
☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)  
☐ Absent (1)

**6d. Microtopography.**

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☒ 1 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks  
☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)  
☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh  
☒ 1 Amphibian breeding pools

**Vegetation Community Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area  
1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality  
2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality  
3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

**Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality**

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

**Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality**

- 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)  
1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)  
2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)  
3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

**Microtopography Cover Scale**

- 0 Absent  
1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality  
2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality  
3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

37.5 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)  
2 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		Circle answer or insert score		Result
Narrative Rating	Question 1 Critical Habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES	NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES	NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
	Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES	<b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	6		
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	4		
	Metric 3. Hydrology	16.5		
	Metric 4. Habitat	8		
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	0		
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	3		
	TOTAL SCORE	37.5		Category based on score breakpoints

Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	YES Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	<b>*NO</b>	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

### Final Category

Choose one	Category 1	<b>*Category 2</b>	Category 3
<b>Category 3</b>			

**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



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### **Instructions**

The investigator is *STRONGLY URGED* to read the Manual for Using the Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands for further elaboration and discussion of the questions below prior to using the rating forms.

The Narrative Rating is designed to categorize a wetland or to provide alerts to the Rater based on the presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as presence or possible presence of threatened or endangered species. The presence or proximity of such species is often an indicator of the quality and lack of disturbance of the wetland being evaluated. In addition, it is designed to categorize certain wetlands as very low quality (Category 1) or very high quality (Category 3) regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating. In addition, the Narrative Rating also alerts the investigator that a particular wetland may be a Category 3 wetland, again, regardless of the wetland's score on the Quantitative Rating.

It is *VERY IMPORTANT* to properly and thoroughly answer each of the questions in the ORAM in order to properly categorize a wetland. To properly answer all the questions, the boundaries of the wetland being assessed must be correctly identified. Refer to Scoring Boundary worksheet and the User's Manual for a discussion of how to determine the "scoring boundaries." In some instances, the scoring boundaries may differ from the "jurisdictional boundaries."

Refer to the most recent ORAM Score Calibration Report for the scoring breakpoints between wetland categories. The most recent version of this document is posted on Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water web page at:  
<http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/wetlands/WetlandEcologySection.aspx>



## Background Information

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<b>Name of Wetland:</b>	<b>LO-40</b>
<b>Vegetation Communit(ies):</b>	<b>PEM</b>
<b>HGM Class(es):</b>	<b>Depression</b>

Location of Wetland: include map, address, north arrow, landmarks, distances, roads, etc.

**See Figures 1, 2, and 3 of Wetland Delineation and Stream Assessment Report.**

Lat/Long or UTM Coordinate:	<b>41.514408, -82.915702</b>
USGS Quad Name:	<b>Port Clinton</b>
County:	<b>Ottawa</b>
Township:	<b>Portage</b>
Section and Subsection:	<b>6N, 17E</b>
Hydrologic Unit Code:	<b>Lacarbe Creek-Frontal Lake Erie (041000100503)</b>
Site Visit:	<b>11/17/2020</b>
National Wetland Inventory Map:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Ohio Wetland Inventory Map:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Soil Survey:	<b>See Figure 2</b>
Delineation report/map:	<b>See Figure 3</b>



Name of Wetland:	LO-40		
Wetland Size (delineated acres):	0.01	Wetland Size (Estimated total acres):	0.01

Sketch: Include north arrow, relationship with other surface waters, vegetation zones, etc.



Comments, Narrative Discussion, Justification of Category Changes:

A small PEM wetland located in a depression located on the edge of an existing substation paved entrance and south of E Parry Street. The wetland is located in a frequently mowed lawn and the boundary of the wetland was fully delineated. The source of hydrology is from precipitation and surface runoff from the nearby developed/impervious surfaces that collect within this depressional area.

Final score:	9	Category:	1
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### Scoring Boundary Worksheet

INSTRUCTIONS. The initial step in completing the ORAM is to identify the “scoring boundaries” of the wetland being rated. In many instances this determination will be relatively easy and the scoring boundaries will coincide with the “jurisdictional boundaries.” For example, the scoring boundary of an isolated cattail marsh located in the middle of a farm field will likely be the same as that wetland’s jurisdictional boundaries. In other instances, however, the scoring boundary will not be as easily determined. Wetlands that are small or isolated from other surface waters often form large contiguous areas or heterogeneous complexes of wetland and upland. In separating wetlands for scoring purposes, the hydrologic regime of the wetland is the main criterion that should be used. Boundaries between contiguous or connected wetlands should be established where the volume, flow, or velocity of water moving through the wetland changes significantly. Areas with a high degree of hydrologic interaction should be scored as a single wetland. In determining a wetland’s scoring boundaries, use the guidelines in the ORAM Manual Section 5.0. In certain instances, it may be difficult to establish the scoring boundary for the wetland being rated. These problem situations include wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, wetlands divided by artificial boundaries like property fences, roads, or railroad embankments, wetlands that are contiguous with streams, lakes, or rivers, and estuarine or coastal wetlands. These situations are discussed below, however, it is recommended that Rater contact Ohio EPA, Division of Surface Water, 401/Wetlands Section if there are additional questions or a need for further clarification of the appropriate scoring boundaries of a particular wetland.

#	Steps in properly establishing scoring boundaries	done?	not applicable
<b>Step 1</b>	Identify the wetland area of interest. This may be the site of a proposed impact, a reference site, conservation site, etc.		
<b>Step 2</b>	Identify the locations where there is physical evidence that hydrology changes rapidly. Such evidence includes both natural and human- induced changes including, constrictions caused by berms or dikes, points where the water velocity changes rapidly at rapids or falls, points where significant inflows occur at the confluence of rivers, or other factors that may restrict hydrologic interaction between the wetlands or parts of a single wetland.		
<b>Step 3</b>	Delineate the boundary of the wetland to be rated such that all areas of interest that are contiguous to and within the areas where the hydrology does not change significantly, i.e. areas that have a high degree of hydrologic interaction are included within the scoring boundary.		
<b>Step 4</b>	Determine if artificial boundaries, such as property lines, state lines, roads, railroad embankments, etc., are present. These should not be used to establish scoring boundaries unless they coincide with areas where the hydrologic regime changes.		
<b>Step 5</b>	In all instances, the Rater may enlarge the minimum scoring boundaries discussed here to score together wetlands that could be scored separately.		
<b>Step 6</b>	Consult ORAM Manual Section 5.0 for how to establish scoring boundaries for wetlands that form a patchwork on the landscape, divided by artificial boundaries, contiguous to streams, lakes or rivers, or for dual classifications.		

**End of Scoring Boundary Determination. Begin Narrative Rating on next page.**



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## Narrative Rating

INSTRUCTIONS. Answer each of the following questions. Questions 1, 2, 3 and 4 should be answered based on information obtained from the site visit or the literature and by submitting a Data Services Request to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, Natural Heritage Data Services, 1889 Fountain Square Court, Building F-1, Columbus, Ohio 43224, 614-265-6453 (phone), 614-265-3096 (fax), <http://www.dnr.state.oh.us/dnap> . The remaining questions are designed to be answered primarily by the results of the site visit. Refer to the User's Manual for descriptions of these wetland types. Note: "Critical habitat" is legally defined in the Endangered Species Act and is the geographic area containing physical or biological features essential to the conservation of a listed species or as an area that may require special management considerations or protection. The Rater should contact the Region 3 Headquarters or the Columbus Ecological Services Office for updates as to whether critical habitat has been designated for other federally listed threatened or endangered species. "Documented" means the wetland is listed in the appropriate State of Ohio database.

#	Question	Circle one	
1	<b>Critical Habitat.</b> Is the wetland in a township, section, or subsection of a United States Geological Survey 7.5 minute Quadrangle that has been designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as "critical habitat" for any threatened or endangered plant or animal species? Note: as of January 1, 2001, of the federally listed endangered or threatened species which can be found in Ohio, the Indiana Bat has had critical habitat designated (50 CFR 17.95(a)) and the piping plover has had critical habitat proposed (65 FR 41812 July 6, 2000).	YES  Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 2	NO Go to Question 2
2	<b>Threatened or Endangered Species.</b> Is the wetland known to contain an individual of, or documented occurrences of federal or state-listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 3	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 3
3	<b>Documented High Quality Wetland.</b> Is the wetland on record in Natural Heritage Database as a high quality wetland?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 4	NO Go to Question 4
4	<b>Significant Breeding or Concentration Area.</b> Does the wetland contain documented regionally significant breeding or nonbreeding waterfowl, neotropical songbird, or shorebird concentration areas?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 5	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 5
5	<b>Category 1 Wetlands.</b> Is the wetland less than 0.5 hectares (1 acre) in size and <b>hydrologically isolated</b> and either 1) comprised of vegetation that is dominated (greater than eighty per cent areal cover) by <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i> , <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> , or <i>Phragmites australis</i> , or 2) an acidic pond created or excavated on mined lands that has little or no vegetation?	YES  Wetland is a Category 1 wetland Go to Question 6	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 6
6	<b>Bogs.</b> Is the wetland a peat-accumulating wetland that 1) has no significant inflows or outflows, 2) supports acidophilic mosses, particularly <i>Sphagnum</i> spp., 3) the acidophilic mosses have >30% cover, 4) at least one species from Table 1 is present, and 5) the cover of invasive species (see Table 1) is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 7	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 7
7	<b>Fens.</b> Is the wetland a carbon accumulating (peat, muck) wetland that is saturated during most of the year, primarily by a discharge of free flowing, mineral rich, ground water with a circumneutral ph (5.5-9.0) and with one or more plant species listed in Table 1 and the cover of invasive species listed in Table 1 is <25%?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 8a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8a
8a	<b>"Old Growth Forest."</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland and is the forest characterized by, but not limited to, the following characteristics: overstory canopy trees of great age (exceeding at least 50% of a projected maximum attainable age for a species); little or no evidence of human-caused understory disturbance during the past 80 to 100 years; an all-aged structure and multilayered canopies; aggregations of canopy trees interspersed with canopy gaps; and significant numbers of standing dead snags and downed logs?	YES  Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 8b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 8b



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<b>8b Mature forested wetlands.</b> Is the wetland a forested wetland with 50% or more of the cover of upper forest canopy consisting of deciduous trees with large diameters at breast height (dbh), generally diameters greater than 45cm (17.7in) dbh?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status. Go to Question 9a	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9a
<b>9a Lake Erie coastal and tributary wetlands.</b> Is the wetland located at an elevation less than 575 feet on the USGS map, adjacent to this elevation, or along a tributary to Lake Erie that is accessible to fish?	YES Go to Question 9b	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 10
<b>9b</b> Does the wetland's hydrology result from measures designed to prevent erosion and the loss of aquatic plants, i.e. the wetland is partially hydrologically restricted from Lake Erie due to lakeward or landward dikes or other hydrological controls?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 9c
<b>9c</b> Are Lake Erie water levels the wetland's primary hydrological influence, i.e. the wetland is hydrologically unrestricted (no lakeward or upland border alterations), or the wetland can be characterized as an "estuarine" wetland with lake and river influenced hydrology. These include sandbar deposition wetlands, estuarine wetlands, river mouth wetlands, or those dominated by submersed aquatic vegetation.	YES Go to Question 9d	NO Go to Question 10
<b>9d</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of native species within its vegetation communities, although non-native or disturbance tolerant native species can also be present?	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 9e
<b>9e</b> Does the wetland have a predominance of non-native or disturbance tolerant native plant species within its vegetation communities?	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Go to Question 10	NO Go to Question 10
<b>10 Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings)</b> Is the wetland located in Lucas, Fulton, Henry, or Wood Counties and can the wetland be characterized by the following description: the wetland has a sandy substrate with interspersed organic matter, a water table often within several inches of the surface, and often with a dominance of the gramineous vegetation listed in Table 1 (woody species may also be present). The Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Natural Areas and Preserves can provide assistance in confirming this type of wetland and its quality.	YES Wetland is a Category 3 wetland. Go to Question 11	<b>*NO</b> Go to Question 11
<b>11 Relict Wet Prairies.</b> Is the wetland a relict wet prairie community dominated by some or all of the species in Table 1. Extensive prairies were formerly located in the Darby Plains (Madison and Union Counties), Sandusky Plains (Wyandot, Crawford, and Marion Counties), northwest Ohio (e.g. Erie, Huron, Lucas, Wood Counties), and portions of western Ohio Counties (e.g. Darke, Mercer, Miami, Montgomery, Van Wert etc.).	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status Complete Quantitative Rating	<b>*NO</b> Complete Quantitative Rating



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Table 1. Characteristic plant species.				
<b>invasive/exotic spp</b>	<b>fen species</b>	<b>bog species</b>	<b>oak opening species</b>	<b>wet prairie species</b>
<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	<i>Zygadenus elegans</i> var. <i>glaucus</i>	<i>Calla palustris</i>	<i>Carex cryptolepis</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>
<i>Myriophyllum spicatum</i>	<i>Cacalia plantaginea</i>	<i>Carex atlantica</i> var. <i>capillacea</i>	<i>Carex lasiocarpa</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>
<i>Najas minor</i>	<i>Carex flava</i>	<i>Carex echinata</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex atherodes</i>
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	<i>Carex sterilis</i>	<i>Carex oligosperma</i>	<i>Cladium mariscoides</i>	<i>Carex buxbaumii</i>
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	<i>Carex stricta</i>	<i>Carex trisperma</i>	<i>Calamagrostis stricta</i>	<i>Carex pellita</i>
<i>Potamogeton crispus</i>	<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	<i>Chamaedaphne calyculata</i>	<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	<i>Carex sartwellii</i>
<i>Ranunculus ficaria</i>	<i>Eleocharis rostellata</i>	<i>Decodon verticillatus</i>	<i>Quercus palustris</i>	<i>Gentiana andrewsii</i>
<i>Rhamnus frangula</i>	<i>Eriophorum viridicarinarum</i>	<i>Eriophorum virginicum</i>		<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>
<i>Typha angustifolia</i>	<i>Gentianopsis</i> spp.	<i>Larix laricina</i>		<i>Liatris spicata</i>
<i>Typha xglauca</i>	<i>Lobelia kalmii</i>	<i>Nemopanthus mucronatus</i>		<i>Lysimachia quadriflora</i>
	<i>Parnassia glauca</i>	<i>Scheuchzeria palustris</i>		<i>Lythrum alatum</i>
	<i>Potentilla fruticosa</i>	<i>Sphagnum</i> spp.		<i>Pycnanthemum virginianum</i>
	<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	<i>Vaccinium macrocarpon</i>		<i>Silphium terebinthinaceum</i>
	<i>Rhynchospora capillacea</i>	<i>Vaccinium corymbosum</i>		<i>Sorghastrum nutans</i>
	<i>Salix candida</i>	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccos</i>		<i>Spartina pectinata</i>
	<i>Salix myricoides</i>	<i>Woodwardia virginica</i>		<i>Solidago riddellii</i>
	<i>Salix serissima</i>	<i>Xyris difformis</i>		
	<i>Solidago ohioensis</i>			
	<i>Tofieldia glutinosa</i>			
	<i>Triglochin maritimum</i>			
	<i>Triglochin palustre</i>			

**End of Narrative Rating. Begin Quantitative Rating on next page.**



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<b>Site:</b>	Lakeview-Greenfield	<b>Rater(s):</b>	M.R.Kline, L.H.Jacks	<b>Date:</b>	11/17/2020
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<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
max 6 pts	subtotal

### Metric 1. Wetland Area (size).

Select one size class and assign score.

- ☐ >50 acres (>20.2ha) (6 pts)
- ☐ 25 to <50 acres (10.1 to <20.2ha) (5 pts)
- ☐ 10 to <25 acres (4 to <10.1ha) (4 pts)
- ☐ 3 to <10 acres (1.2 to <4ha) (3 pts)
- ☐ 0.3 to <3 acres (0.12 to <1.2ha) (2pts)
- ☐ 0.1 to <0.3 acres (0.04 to <0.12ha) (1 pt)
- ☒ <0.1 acres (0.04ha) (0 pts)

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<b>Delineated acres:</b>	0.01
<b>Total acres:</b>	0.01

<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>
max 14 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 2. Upland buffers and surrounding land use.

2a. Calculate average buffer width. Select only one and assign score. Do not double check.

- ☐ WIDE. Buffers average 50m (164ft) or more around wetland perimeter (7)
- ☐ MEDIUM. Buffers average 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around wetland perimeter (4)
- ☐ NARROW. Buffers average 10m to <25m (32ft to <82ft) around wetland perimeter (1)
- ☒ VERY NARROW. Buffers average <10m (<32ft) around wetland perimeter (0)

2b. Intensity of surrounding land use. Select one or double check and average.

- ☐ VERY LOW. 2nd growth or older forest, prairie, savannah, wildlife area, etc. (7)
- ☐ LOW. Old field (>10 years), shrubland, young second growth forest. (5)
- ☐ MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, fenced pasture, park, conservation tillage, new fallow field. (3)
- ☒ HIGH. Urban, industrial, open pasture, row cropping, mining, construction. (1)

<b>5.0</b>	<b>6.0</b>
max 30 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 3. Hydrology.

3a. Sources of Water. Score all that apply.

- ☐ High pH groundwater (5)
- ☐ Other groundwater (3)
- ☒ Precipitation (1)
- ☐ Seasonal/intermittent surface water (3)
- ☐ Perennial surface water (lake or stream) (5)

3c. Maximum water depth. Select one.

- ☐ >0.7 (27.6in) (3)
- ☐ 0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in) (2)
- ☒ <0.4m (<15.7in) (1)

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (12)
- ☐ Recovered (7)
- ☐ Recovering (3)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

3b. Connectivity. Score all that apply.

- ☐ 100 year floodplain (1)
- ☐ Between stream/lake and other human use (1)
- ☐ Part of wetland/upland (e.g. forest), complex (1)
- ☒ Part of riparian or upland corridor (1)

3d. Duration inundation/saturation. Score one or dbl check.

- ☐ Semi- to permanently inundated/saturated (4)
- ☐ Regularly inundated/saturated (3)
- ☐ Seasonally inundated (2)
- ☒ Seasonally saturated in upper 30cm (12in) (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ditch            | <input type="checkbox"/> point source (nonstormwater) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> tile             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> filling/grading   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dike             | <input type="checkbox"/> road bed/RR track            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> weir             | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> stormwater input | <input type="checkbox"/> Other:                       |

<b>3.0</b>	<b>9.0</b>
max 20 pts.	subtotal

### Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development.

4a. Substrate disturbance. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (4)
- ☐ Recovered (3)
- ☐ Recovering (2)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

4b. Habitat development. Select one and assign score.

- ☐ Excellent (7)
- ☐ Very good (6)
- ☐ Good (5)
- ☐ Moderately good (4)
- ☐ Fair (3)
- ☐ Poor to fair (2)
- ☒ Poor (1)

4c. Habitat alteration. Score one or double check and average.

- ☐ None or none apparent (9)
- ☐ Recovered (6)
- ☐ Recovering (3)
- ☒ Recent or no recovery (1)

Check all disturbances observed

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> mowing           | <input type="checkbox"/> shrub/sapling removal          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> grazing          | <input type="checkbox"/> herbaceous/aquatic bed removal |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> clearcutting     | <input type="checkbox"/> sedimentation                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> selective cutting           | <input type="checkbox"/> dredging                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> woody debris removal        | <input type="checkbox"/> farming                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> toxic pollutants | <input type="checkbox"/> nutrient enrichment            |

<b>9.0</b>
subtotal this page

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9.0

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0.0 9.0

max 10 pts.

subtotal

### Metric 5. Special Wetlands.

Check all that apply and score as indicated.

- ☐ Bog (10)
- ☐ Fen (10)
- ☐ Old growth forest (10)
- ☐ Mature forested wetland (5)
- ☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-unrestricted hydrology (10)
- ☐ Lake Erie coastal/tributary wetland-restricted hydrology (5)
- ☐ Lake Plain Sand Prairies (Oak Openings) (10)
- ☐ Relict Wet Prairies (10)
- ☐ Known occurrence state/federal threatened or endangered species (10)
- ☐ Significant migratory songbird/water fowl habitat or usage (10)
- ☐ Category 1 Wetland. See Question 5 Qualitative Rating (-10)

0.0 9.0

max 20pts.

subtotal

### Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography.

#### 6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Aquatic bed
- ☐ 1 Emergent
- ☐ 0 Shrub
- ☐ 0 Forest
- ☐ 0 Mudflats
- ☐ 0 Open water
- ☐ Other

#### 6b. horizontal (plan view) Interspersions.

Select only one.

- ☐ High (5)
- ☐ Moderately high(4)
- ☐ Moderate (3)
- ☐ Moderately low (2)
- ☐ Low (1)
- ☒ x None (0)

#### 6c. Coverage of invasive plants. Refer

Table 1 ORAM long form for list. Add or deduct points for coverage

- ☐ Extensive >75% cover (-5)
- ☐ Moderate 25-75% cover (-3)
- ☒ x Sparse 5-25% cover (-1)
- ☐ Nearly absent <5% cover (0)
- ☐ Absent (1)

#### 6d. Microtopography.

Score all present using 0 to 3 scale.

- ☐ 0 Vegetated hummocks/tussocks
- ☐ 0 Coarse woody debris >15cm (6in)
- ☐ 0 Standing dead >25cm (10in) dbh
- ☐ 0 Amphibian breeding pools

#### Vegetation Community Cover Scale

- ☐ 0 Absent or comprises <0.1ha (0.2471 acres) contiguous area
- ☐ 1 Present and either comprises small part of wetland's 1 vegetation and is of moderate quality, or comprises a significant part but is of low quality
- ☐ 2 Present and either comprises significant part of wetland's 2 vegetation and is of moderate quality or comprises a small part and is of high quality
- ☐ 3 Present and comprises significant part, or more, of wetland's 3 vegetation and is of high quality

#### Narrative Description of Vegetation Quality

Low spp diversity and/or predominance of nonnative or low disturbance tolerant native species

Native spp are dominant component of the vegetation, mod although nonnative and/or disturbance tolerant native spp can also be present, and species diversity moderate to moderately high, but generally w/o presence of rare threatened or endangered spp to

A predominance of native species, with nonnative spp high and/or disturbance tolerant native spp absent or virtually absent, and high spp diversity and often, but not always, the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered spp

#### Mudflat and Open Water Class Quality

- ☐ 0 Absent <0.1ha (0.247 acres)
- ☐ 1 Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)
- ☐ 2 Moderate 1 to <4ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)
- ☐ 3 High 4ha (9.88 acres) or more

#### Microtopography Cover Scale

- ☐ 0 Absent
- ☐ 1 Present very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality
- ☐ 2 Present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality
- ☐ 3 Present in moderate or greater amounts and of highest quality

9.0 TOTAL (Max 100 pts)

1 Category



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### ORAM Summary Worksheet

		Circle answer or insert score	Result
Narrative Rating	Question 1 Critical Habitat	YES NO	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 2. Threatened or Endangered Species	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 3. High Quality Natural Wetland	YES NO	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 4. Significant bird habitat	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 5. Category 1 Wetlands	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 1.
	Question 6. Bogs	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 7. Fens	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8a. Old Growth Forest	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3.
	Question 8b. Mature Forested Wetland	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9b. Lake Erie Wetlands - Restricted	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 9d. Lake Erie Wetlands – Unrestricted with native plants	YES NO	If yes, Category 3
	Question 9e. Lake Erie Wetlands - Unrestricted with invasive plants	YES NO	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.
	Question 10. Oak Openings	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, Category 3
Question 11. Relict Wet Prairies	YES <b>*NO</b>	If yes, evaluate for Category 3; may also be 1 or 2.	
Quantitative Rating	Metric 1. Size	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 2. Buffers and surrounding land use	<b>1</b>	
	Metric 3. Hydrology	<b>5</b>	
	Metric 4. Habitat	<b>3</b>	
	Metric 5. Special Wetland Communities	<b>0</b>	
	Metric 6. Plant communities, interspersions, microtopography	<b>0</b>	
	TOTAL SCORE	<b>9</b>	Category based on score breakpoints

**Complete Wetland Categorization Worksheet.**



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## Wetland Categorization Worksheet

Choices	Circle one		Evaluation of Categorization Result of ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8a, 9d, 10	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 3 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>less</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>excluding</i> gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been over- categorized by the ORAM
Did you answer "Yes" to any of the following questions: Narrative Rating Nos. 1, 8b, 9b, 9e, 11	YES Wetland should be evaluated for possible Category 3 status	<b>*NO</b>	Evaluate the wetland using the 1) narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and 2) the quantitative rating score. If the wetland is determined to be a Category 3 wetland using either of these, it should be categorized as a Category 3 wetland. Detailed biological and/or functional assessments may also be used to determine the wetland's category.
Did you answer "Yes" to Narrative Rating No. 5	YES Wetland is categorized as a Category 1 wetland	<b>*NO</b>	Is quantitative rating score <i>greater</i> than the Category 2 scoring threshold ( <i>including</i> any gray zone)? If yes, reevaluate the category of the wetland using the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) and biological and/or functional assessments to determine if the wetland has been under-categorized by the ORAM
Does the quantitative score fall within the scoring range of a Category 1, 2, or 3 wetland?	<b>*YES</b> Wetland is assigned to the appropriate category based on the scoring range	NO	If the score of the wetland is located within the scoring range for a particular category, the wetland should be assigned to that category. In all instances however, the narrative criteria described in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C) can be used to clarify or change a categorization based on a quantitative score.
Does the quantitative score fall with the "gray zone" for Category 1 or 2 or Category 2 or 3 wetlands?	YES Wetland is assigned to the higher of the two categories or assigned to a category based on detailed assessments and the narrative criteria	<b>*NO</b>	Rater has the option of assigning the wetland to the higher of the two categories or to assign a category based on the results of a nonrapid wetland assessment method, e.g. functional assessment, biological assessment, etc, and a consideration of the narrative criteria in OAC rule 3745-1- 54(C).
Does the wetland otherwise exhibit <i>moderate OR superior</i> hydrologic OR habitat, OR recreational functions AND the wetland was <i>not</i> categorized as a Category 2 wetland (in the case of moderate functions) or a Category 3 wetland (in the case of superior functions) by this method?	YES Wetland was undercategorized by this method. A written justification for recategorization should be provided on Background Information Form	<b>*NO</b> Wetland is assigned to category as determined by the ORAM.	A wetland may be undercategorized using this method, but still exhibit one or more superior functions, e.g. a wetland's biotic communities may be degraded by human activities, but the wetland may still exhibit superior hydrologic functions because of its type, landscape position, size, local or regional significance, etc. In this circumstance, the narrative criteria in OAC Rule 3745-1-54(C)(2) and (3) are controlling, and the under-categorization should be corrected. A written justification with supporting reasons or information for this determination should be provided.

### Final Category

Choose one	<b>*Category 1</b>	Category 2	Category 3	
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**End of Ohio Rapid Assessment Method for Wetlands.**



**APPENDIX C**  
**OEPA HHEI STREAM FORMS**





## Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Form

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HHEI Score (sum of metrics 1, 2, 3) :

SITE NAME/LOCATION **Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission Line**

SITE NUMBER

RIVER BASIN

**Portage**DRAINAGE AREA (mi<sup>2</sup>)

0.01

LENGTH OF STREAM REACH (ft)

**200**

LAT.

**41.50583**

LONG.

**-82.91653**

RIVER CODE

**N/A**

RIVER MILE

**N/A**DATE **01/14/20**

SCORER

**MRK, LB**

COMMENTS

**HH-200114-MRK-002 Perennial**

NOTE: Complete All Items On This Form - Refer to "Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's PWH Streams" for Instructions

## STREAM CHANNEL



NONE / NATURAL CHANNEL



RECOVERED



RECOVERING



RECENT OR NO RECOVERY

## MODIFICATIONS:

**Stream is channelized, flows along an active agriculture field**

1. **SUBSTRATE** (Estimate percent of every type of substrate present. Check *ONLY* two predominant substrate TYPE boxes (Max of 32). Add total number of significant substrate types found (Max of 8). Final metric score is sum of boxes A & B.

TYPE	PERCENT	TYPE	PERCENT
<input type="checkbox"/> BLDR SLABS [16 pts]	<b>0</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SILT [3 pt]	<b>80</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER (>256 mm) [16 pts]	<b>0</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> LEAF PACK/WOODY DEBRIS [3 pts]	<b>0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [16 pt]	<b>0</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> FINE DETRITUS [3 pts]	<b>0</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COBBLE (65-256 mm) [12 pts]	<b>15</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAY or HARDPAN [0 pt]	<b>0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL (2-64 mm) [9 pts]	<b>5</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> MUCK [0 pts]	<b>0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND (<2 mm) [6 pts]	<b>0</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL [3 pts]	<b>0</b>

Total of Percentages of  
Bldr Slabs, Boulder, Cobble, Bedrock**15**

(A)

Substrate Percentage  
Check

(B)

SCORE OF TWO MOST PREDOMINATE SUBSTRATE TYPES: **15**TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSTRATE TYPES: **3**HHEI  
Metric  
PointsSubstrate  
Max = 40**18**

A + B

2. **Maximum Pool Depth** (Measure the maximum pool depth within the 61 meter (200 ft) evaluation reach at the time of evaluation. Avoid plunge pools from road culverts or storm water pipes) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 30 centimeters [20 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 5 cm - 10 cm [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 22.5 - 30 cm [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> < 5 cm [5 pts]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> > 10 - 22.5 cm [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> NO WATER OR MOIST CHANNEL [0 pts]

Pool Depth  
Max = 30**25**COMMENTS **OHHW=26"**

MAXIMUM POOL DEPTH

(Inches): **22.00**

3. **BANK FULL WIDTH** (Measured as the average of 3-4 measurements) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 4.0 meters (> 13') [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.0 m - 1.5 m (> 3' 3" - 4' 8") [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 3.0 m - 4.0 m (> 9' 7" - 13') [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1.0 m (≤ 3' 3") [5 pts]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> > 1.5 m - 3.0 m (> 9' 7" - 4' 8") [20 pts]	

Bankfull  
Width  
Max=30**20**COMMENTS **OHHW width=5'**

AVERAGE BANKFULL WIDTH

(Feet): **6.00**

## This information must also be completed

## RIPARIAN ZONE AND FLOODPLAIN QUALITY

☆NOTE: River Left (L) and Right (R) as looking downstream ☆

## RIPARIAN WIDTH

L	R	(Per Bank)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wide >10m
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate 5-10m
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Narrow <5m
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	None

## FLOODPLAIN QUALITY

L	R	(Most Predominant per Bank)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mature Forest, Wetland
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Immature Forest, Shrub or Old Field
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Residential, Park, New Field
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fenced Pasture

L	R	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation Tillage
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban or Industrial
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Open Pasture, Row Crop
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mining or Construction

COMMENTS **left bank-PSS wetland in ROW. right bank-Agriculture field**FLOW REGIME (At Time of Evaluation) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stream Flowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Moist Channel, isolated pools, no flow (Intermittent)
<input type="checkbox"/> Subsurface flow with isolated pools (Interstitial)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry channel, no water (Ephemeral)

COMMENTS **Stream flow is slow**SINUOSITY (Number of bends per 61 m (200 ft) of channel) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.0	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.0
<input type="checkbox"/> 0.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5	<input type="checkbox"/> >3

## STREAM GRADIENT ESTIMATE

☒ Flat (0.5 ft/100 ft)
 ☐ Flat to Moderate
 ☐ Moderate (2 ft/100 ft)
 ☐ Moderate to Severe
 ☐ Severe (10 ft/100 ft)



**ADDITIONAL STREAM INFORMATION (This Information Must Also be Completed):**QHEI PERFORMED? - ☐ Yes ☒ No QHEI Score  (If Yes, Attach Completed QHEI Form)**DOWNSTREAM DESIGNATED USE(S)**

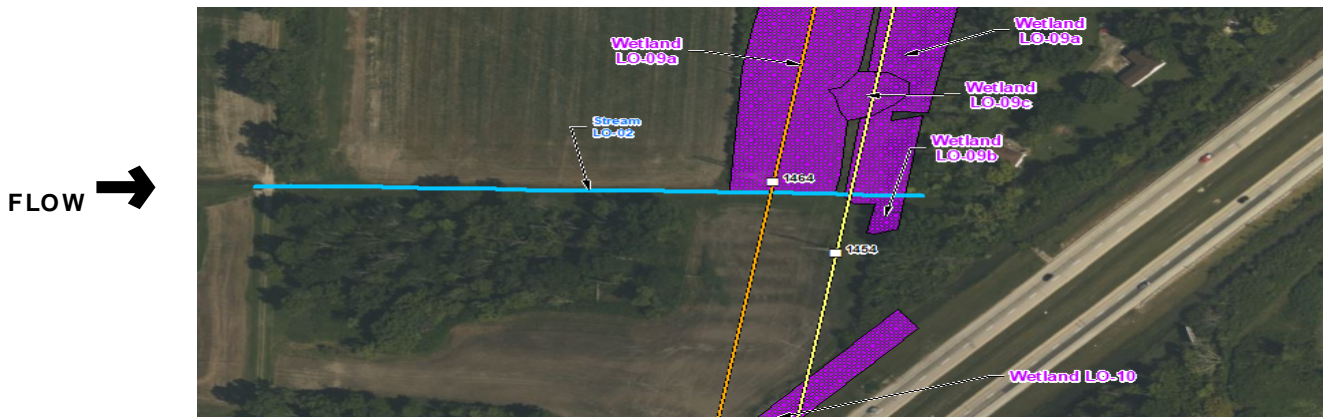
<input type="checkbox"/> WWH Name:	<input type="text"/>	Distance from Evaluated Stream	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> CWH Name:	<input type="text"/>	Distance from Evaluated Stream	<input type="text"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EWH Name:	Lake Erie	Distance from Evaluated Stream	0.75

**MAPPING: ATTACH COPIES OF MAPS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE WATERSHED AREA. CLEARLY MARK THE SITE LOCATION**USGS Quadrangle Name: Port Clinton NRCS Soil Map Page:  NRCS Soil Map Stream Order:   
County: Ottawa Township / City: 6N, 17E**MISCELLANEOUS**Base Flow Conditions? (Y/N): ☒ Y Date of last precipitation: 01/11/20 Quantity: 0.50Photograph Information: Elevated Turbidity? (Y/N): ☒ Y Canopy (% open): 100Were samples collected for water chemistry? (Y/N): ☒ N (Note lab sample no. or id. and attach results) Lab Number: Field Measures: Temp (°C)  Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l)  pH (S.U.)  Conductivity (µmhos/cm) Is the sampling reach representative of the stream (Y/N) ☒ Y If not, please explain: Additional comments/description of pollution impacts: 

Water is slightly turbid

**BIOTIC EVALUATION**Performed? (Y/N): ☒ Y (If Yes, Record all observations. Voucher collections optional. NOTE: all voucher samples must be labeled with the site ID number. Include appropriate field data sheets from the Primary Headwater Habitat Assessment Manual)Fish Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ N Salamanders Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ N  
Frogs or Tadpoles Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ N Aquatic Macroinvertebrates Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ NComments Regarding Biology: **DRAWING AND NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF STREAM REACH (This must be completed):**

Include important landmarks and other features of interest for site evaluation and a narrative description of the stream's location







# Qualitative Habitat Evaluation Index and Use Assessment Field Sheet

QHEI Score:

21

Stream &amp; Location: Ottawa County

RM: \_ \_ \_ Date: 1-15-20

QH-200115-MRK-001a Perennial

Scorers Full Name &amp; Affiliation: MRK, LB

River Code: - - - STORET #: - - - Lat./ Long.: 41.49848, -82.91816

Office verified location ☐

## 1] SUBSTRATE

Check ONLY Two substrate TYPE BOXES; estimate % or note every type present

Check ONE (Or 2 &amp; average)

## BEST TYPES POOL RIFFLE

- ☐ BLDR /SLABS [10] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ BOULDER [9] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ COBBLE [8] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☒ GRAVEL [7] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ SAND [6] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ BEDROCK [5] ☐ POOL RIFFLE

## OTHER TYPES POOL RIFFLE

- ☐ HARDPAN [4] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ DETRITUS [3] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ MUCK [2] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☒ SILT [2] ☐ POOL RIFFLE
- ☐ ARTIFICIAL [0] ☐ POOL RIFFLE

(Score natural substrates; ignore

## ORIGIN

- ☐ LIMESTONE [1]
- ☐ TILLS [1]
- ☒ WETLANDS [0]
- ☐ HARDPAN [0]
- ☐ SANDSTONE [0]
- ☐ RIP/RAP [0]
- ☐ LACUSTURINE [0]
- ☐ SHALE [-1]
- ☐ COAL FINES [-2]

## QUALITY

- ☒ HEAVY [-2]
- ☐ MODERATE [-1]
- ☐ NORMAL [0]
- ☐ FREE [1]
- ☒ EXTENSIVE [-2]
- ☐ MODERATE [-1]
- ☐ NORMAL [0]
- ☐ NONE [1]

Substrate

5

Maximum 20

NUMBER OF BEST TYPES: ☐ 4 or more [2] ☒ 3 or less [0]

## Comments

Stream is channelized

## 2] INSTREAM COVER

Indicate presence 0 to 3: 0-Absent; 1-Very small amounts or if more common of marginal quality; 2-Moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality; 3-Highest quality in moderate or greater amounts (e.g., very large boulders in deep or fast water, large diameter log that is stable, well developed rootwad in deep / fast water, or deep, well-defined, functional pools.

## AMOUNT

Check ONE (Or 2 &amp; average)

- UNDERCUT BANKS [1]
- OVERHANGING VEGETATION [1]
- SHALLOWS (IN SLOW WATER) [1]
- ROOTMATS [1]

- POOLS > 70cm [2]
- ROOTWADS [1]
- BOULDERS [1]

- OXBOWS, BACKWATERS [1]
- AQUATIC MACROPHYTES [1]
- LOGS OR WOODY DEBRIS [1]

- ☐ EXTENSIVE >75% [11]
- ☐ MODERATE 25-75% [7]
- ☒ SPARSE 5-<25% [3]
- ☐ NEARLY ABSENT <5% [1]

## Comments

Agricultural field adjacent to both stream bank

Cover  
Maximum  
20

4

## 3] CHANNEL MORPHOLOGY

Check ONE in each category (Or 2 & average)

## SINUOSITY

- ☐ HIGH [4]
- ☐ MODERATE [3]
- ☐ LOW [2]
- ☒ NONE [1]

## DEVELOPMENT

- ☐ EXCELLENT [7]
- ☐ GOOD [5]
- ☐ FAIR [3]
- ☒ POOR [1]

## CHANNELIZATION

- ☐ NONE [6]
- ☐ RECOVERED [4]
- ☒ RECOVERING [3]
- ☒ RECENT OR NO RECOVERY [1]

## STABILITY

- ☐ HIGH [3]
- ☒ MODERATE [2]
- ☐ LOW [1]

## Comments

Channel  
Maximum  
20

6

## 4] BANK EROSION AND RIPARIAN ZONE

Check ONE in each category for EACH BANK (Or 2 per bank & average)

River right looking downstream

## EROSION

- NONE / LITTLE [3]
- ☐ MODERATE [2]
- ☐ HEAVY / SEVERE [1]

## RIPARIAN WIDTH

- ☐ WIDE > 50m [4]
- ☐ MODERATE 10-50m [3]
- ☐ NARROW 5-10m [2]
- ☐ VERY NARROW < 5m [1]
- ☒ NONE [0]

## FLOOD PLAIN QUALITY

- ☐ FOREST, SWAMP [3]
- ☐ SHRUB OR OLD FIELD [2]
- ☐ RESIDENTIAL, PARK, NEW FIELD [1]
- ☐ FENCED PASTURE [1]
- ☒ OPEN PASTURE, ROWCROP [0]

- ☐ CONSERVATION TILLAGE [1]
- ☐ URBAN OR INDUSTRIAL [0]
- ☐ MINING / CONSTRUCTION [0]

Indicate predominant land use(s) past 100m riparian.

## Comments

Riparian zone is agriculture

Riparian  
Maximum  
10

3

## 5] POOL / GLIDE AND RIFFLE / RUN QUALITY

## MAXIMUM DEPTH

Check ONE (ONLY!)

- ☐ > 1m [6]
- ☐ 0.7-<1m [4]
- ☐ 0.4-<0.7m [2]
- ☒ 0.2-<0.4m [1]
- ☐ < 0.2m [0]

## CHANNEL WIDTH

Check ONE (Or 2 &amp; average)

- ☐ POOL WIDTH > RIFFLE WIDTH [2]
- ☐ POOL WIDTH = RIFFLE WIDTH [1]
- ☒ POOL WIDTH < RIFFLE WIDTH [0]

## CURRENT VELOCITY

Check ALL that apply

- ☐ TORRENTIAL [-1]
- ☐ VERY FAST [1]
- ☐ FAST [1]
- ☐ MODERATE [1]
- ☐ SLOW [1]
- ☒ INTERSTITIAL [-1]
- ☐ INTERMITTENT [-2]
- ☐ EDDIES [1]

Indicate for reach - pools and riffles.

## Recreation Potential

## Primary Contact

Secondary Contact  
(circle one and comment on back)

## Comments

Stream flow is slow, stream is channelized, no riffles present

Pool /  
Current  
Maximum  
12

0

Indicate for functional riffles; Best areas must be large enough to support a population of riffle-obligate species:

Check ONE (Or 2 &amp; average).

☐ NO RIFFLE [metric=0]

## RIFFLE DEPTH

- ☐ BEST AREAS > 10cm [2]
- ☐ BEST AREAS 5-10cm [1]
- ☒ BEST AREAS < 5cm [metric=0]

## RUN DEPTH

- ☐ MAXIMUM > 50cm [2]
- ☒ MAXIMUM < 50cm [1]

## RIFFLE / RUN SUBSTRATE

- ☐ STABLE (e.g., Cobble, Boulder) [2]
- ☐ MOD. STABLE (e.g., Large Gravel) [1]
- ☒ UNSTABLE (e.g., Fine Gravel, Sand) [0]

## RIFFLE / RUN EMBEDDEDNESS

- ☐ NONE [2]
- ☐ LOW [1]
- ☐ MODERATE [0]
- ☒ EXTENSIVE [-1]

## Comments

Heavy silt from agricultural fields

Riffle /  
Run  
Maximum  
8

0

## 6] GRADIENT (

ft/mi)

## DRAINAGE AREA

(mi<sup>2</sup>)

- ☒ VERY LOW - LOW [2-4]
- ☐ MODERATE [6-10]
- ☐ HIGH - VERY HIGH [10-6]

%POOL:

%GLIDE:

%RUN:

%RIFFLE:

Gradient  
Maximum  
10

3



## AJ SAMPLED REACH

Check ALL that apply

### METHOD STAGE

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> BOAT             | 1st - sample pass- 2nd  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WADE             | <input type="checkbox"/> HIGH <input type="checkbox"/>              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> L. LINE          | <input type="checkbox"/> UP <input type="checkbox"/>                |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NORMAL <input type="checkbox"/> |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> LOW <input type="checkbox"/>               |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> DRY <input type="checkbox"/>               |

### DISTANCE

- ☐ 0.5 Km  
☐ 0.2 Km  
☐ 0.15 Km  
☐ 0.12 Km  
☐ OTHER

200 feet

### CANOPY

- ☒ > 85%- OPEN  
☐ 55%-<85%  
☐ 30%-<55%  
☐ 10%-<30%  
☐ <10%- CLOSED

### CLARITY

- 1st --sample pass-- 2nd
- ☒ < 20 cm ☐  
☐ 20-<40 cm ☐  
☐ 40-70 cm ☐  
☐ > 70 cm/ CTB ☐  
☐ SECCHI DEPTH ☐

1st \_\_\_\_\_ cm  
pass  
2nd \_\_\_\_\_ cm

### CJ REC

### BJ AESTHETIC

- ☐ NUISANCE ALGAE  
☐ INVASIVE MACROPHYTES  
☒ EXCESS TURBIDITY  
☐ DISCOLORATION  
☐ FOAM / SCUM  
☐ OIL SHEEN  
☐ TRASH / LITTER  
☐ NUISANCE ODOR  
☐ SLUDGE DEPOSITS  
☐ CSOs/SSOs/OUTFALLS

ION AREA DEPTH  
POOL: ☐ >100ft<sup>2</sup> ☐ >3ft

### DJ MAINTENANCE

PUBLIC / PRIVATE / BOTH / NA  
ACTIVE / HISTORIC / BOTH / NA  
YOUNG-SUCCESSION-OLD  
SPRAY / SNAG / REMOVED  
MODIFIED / DIPPED OUT / NA  
LEVEED / ONE SIDED  
RELOCATED / CUTOFFS  
MOVING-BEDLOAD-STABLE  
ARMoured / SLUMPS  
ISLANDS / SCoured  
IMPOUNDED / DESICCATED  
FLOOD CONTROL / DRAINAGE

Circle some & COMMENT

### EJ ISSUES

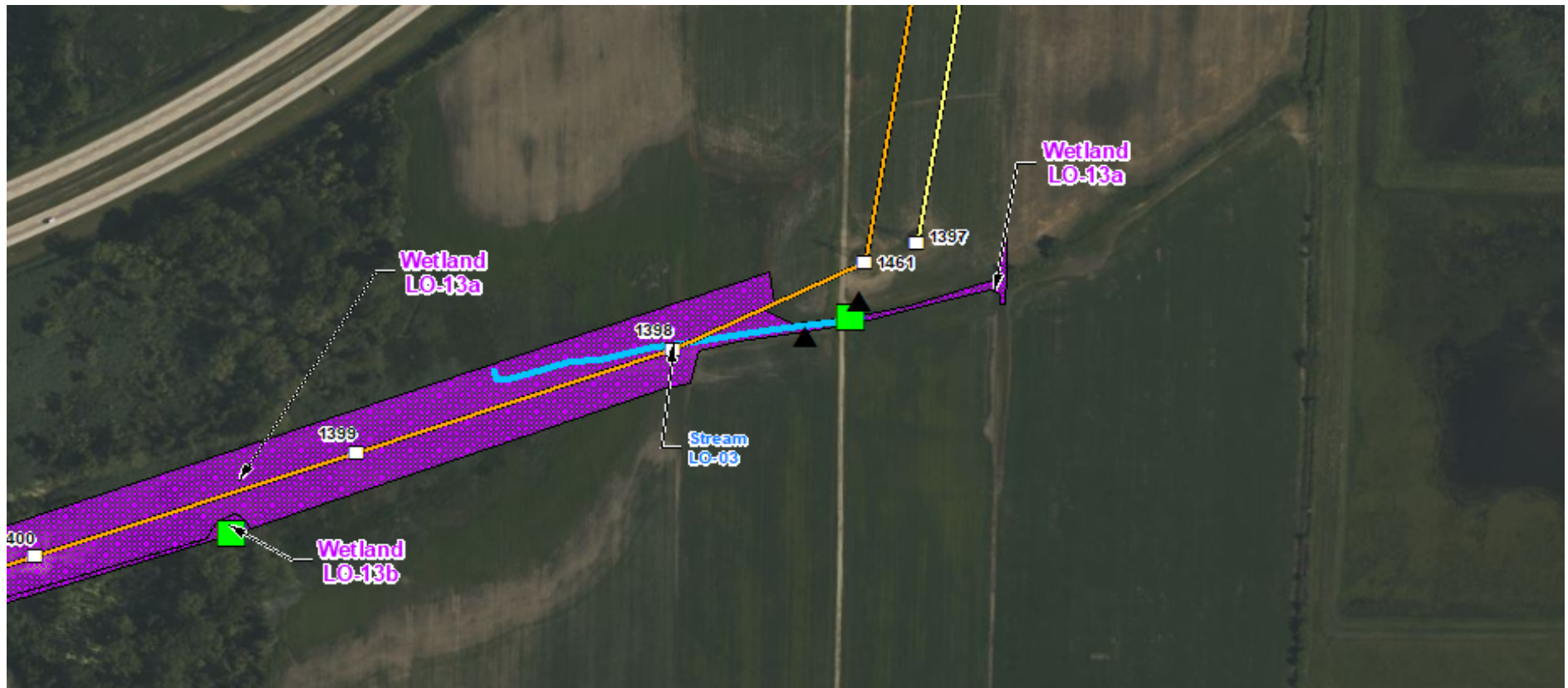
WWTP / CSO / NPDES / INDUSTRY  
HARDENED / URBAN / DIRT&GRIME  
CONTAMINATED / LANDFILL  
BMPs-CONSTRUCTION-SEDIMENT  
LOGGING / IRRIGATION / COOLING  
BANK / EROSION / SURFACE  
FALSE BANK / MANURE / LAGOON  
WASH H<sub>2</sub>O / TILE / H<sub>2</sub>O TABLE  
ACID / MINE / QUARRY / FLOW  
NATURAL / WETLAND / STAGNANT  
PARK / GOLF / LAWN / HOME  
ATMOSPHERE / DATA PAUCITY

### FJ MEASUREMENTS

$\bar{x}$  width 5'  
 $\bar{x}$  depth 12"  
max. depth 20"  
 $\bar{x}$  bankfull width 7'  
bankfull  $\bar{x}$  depth 3.5'  
W/D ratio  
bankfull max. depth  
floodprone x<sup>2</sup> width  
entrench. ratio

Le Tree:

## Stream Drawing:







## Primary Headwater Habitat Evaluation Form

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HHEI Score (sum of metrics 1, 2, 3) :

SITE NAME/LOCATION Lakeview-Greenfield 138kV Transmission LineSITE NUMBER           RIVER BASIN PortageDRAINAGE AREA (mi<sup>2</sup>) 0.13LENGTH OF STREAM REACH (ft) 200LAT. 41.51208LONG. -82.91535RIVER CODE N/ARIVER MILE N/ADATE 01/14/20SCORER MRK, LBCOMMENTS HH-200114-MRK-001 Perennial

NOTE: Complete All Items On This Form - Refer to "Field Evaluation Manual for Ohio's PHWH Streams" for Instructions

## STREAM CHANNEL

☐ NONE / NATURAL CHANNEL
 ☐ RECOVERED
 ☒ RECOVERING
 ☐ RECENT OR NO RECOVERY

## MODIFICATIONS:

Stream is channelized, banks are concrete

1. **SUBSTRATE** (Estimate percent of every type of substrate present. Check *ONLY* two predominant substrate TYPE boxes (Max of 32). Add total number of significant substrate types found (Max of 8). Final metric score is sum of boxes A & B.

TYPE	PERCENT	TYPE	PERCENT
<input type="checkbox"/> BLDR SLABS [16 pts]	<u>0</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SILT [3 pt]	<u>40</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> BOULDER (>256 mm) [16 pts]	<u>5</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> LEAF PACK/WOODY DEBRIS [3 pts]	<u>0</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> BEDROCK [16 pt]	<u>0</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> FINE DETRITUS [3 pts]	<u>0</u>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COBBLE (65-256 mm) [12 pts]	<u>25</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> CLAY or HARDPAN [0 pt]	<u>0</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> GRAVEL (2-64 mm) [9 pts]	<u>10</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> MUCK [0 pts]	<u>0</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> SAND (<2 mm) [6 pts]	<u>0</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> ARTIFICIAL [3 pts]	<u>20</u>

Total of Percentages of Bldr Slabs, Boulder, Cobble, Bedrock 30

(A)

Substrate Percentage Check

(B)

SCORE OF TWO MOST PREDOMINATE SUBSTRATE TYPES: 15TOTAL NUMBER OF SUBSTRATE TYPES: 5

## HHEI Metric Points

Substrate Max = 40

20

A + B

2. **Maximum Pool Depth** (Measure the maximum pool depth within the 61 meter (200 ft) evaluation reach at the time of evaluation. Avoid plunge pools from road culverts or storm water pipes) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> > 30 centimeters [20 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 5 cm - 10 cm [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 22.5 - 30 cm [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> < 5 cm [5 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 10 - 22.5 cm [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> NO WATER OR MOIST CHANNEL [0 pts]

COMMENTS OHHW=21"MAXIMUM POOL DEPTH (Inches): 18.00

Pool Depth Max = 30

20

3. **BANK FULL WIDTH** (Measured as the average of 3-4 measurements) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input type="checkbox"/> > 4.0 meters (> 13') [30 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> > 1.0 m - 1.5 m (> 3' 3" - 4' 8") [15 pts]
<input type="checkbox"/> > 3.0 m - 4.0 m (> 9' 7" - 13') [25 pts]	<input type="checkbox"/> ≤ 1.0 m (≤ 3' 3") [5 pts]
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> > 1.5 m - 3.0 m (> 9' 7" - 4' 8") [20 pts]	

COMMENTS OHHW width=9AVERAGE BANKFULL WIDTH (Feet): 11.00

Bankfull Width Max=30

20

## This information must also be completed

## RIPARIAN ZONE AND FLOODPLAIN QUALITY

☆NOTE: River Left (L) and Right (R) as looking downstream ☆

## RIPARIAN WIDTH

## FLOODPLAIN QUALITY

L	R	(Per Bank)	L	R	(Most Predominant per Bank)	L	R	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wide >10m	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mature Forest, Wetland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Conservation Tillage
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Moderate 5-10m	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Immature Forest, Shrub or Old Field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Urban or Industrial
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Narrow <5m	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Residential, Park, New Field	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Open Pasture, Row Crop
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	None	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fenced Pasture	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mining or Construction

COMMENTS left bank-Residential trailer park, right bank-Transmission line ROWFLOW REGIME (At Time of Evaluation) (Check *ONLY* one box):

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stream Flowing	<input type="checkbox"/> Moist Channel, isolated pools, no flow (Intermittent)
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COMMENTS Stream flow is slowSINUOSITY (Number of bends per 61 m (200 ft) of channel) (Check *ONLY* one box):

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 ☐ Severe (10 ft/100 ft)



**ADDITIONAL STREAM INFORMATION (This Information Must Also be Completed):**QHEI PERFORMED? - ☐ Yes ☒ No QHEI Score  (If Yes, Attach Completed QHEI Form)**DOWNSTREAM DESIGNATED USE(S)**

<input type="checkbox"/> WWH Name:	<input type="text"/>	Distance from Evaluated Stream	<input type="text"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> CWH Name:	<input type="text"/>	Distance from Evaluated Stream	<input type="text"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EWH Name:	Lake Erie	Distance from Evaluated Stream	0.25

**MAPPING: ATTACH COPIES OF MAPS, INCLUDING THE ENTIRE WATERSHED AREA. CLEARLY MARK THE SITE LOCATION**USGS Quadrangle Name: **Port Clinton** NRCS Soil Map Page:  NRCS Soil Map Stream Order   
County: **Ottawa** Township / City: **6N, 17E****MISCELLANEOUS**Base Flow Conditions? (Y/N): ☒ Y Date of last precipitation: **01/11/20** Quantity: **0.50**Photograph Information: **upstream, downstream, substrate**Elevated Turbidity? (Y/N): ☒ Y Canopy (% open): **100**Were samples collected for water chemistry? (Y/N): ☒ N (Note lab sample no. or id. and attach results) Lab Number: Field Measures: Temp (°C)  Dissolved Oxygen (mg/l)  pH (S.U.)  Conductivity (µmhos/cm) Is the sampling reach representative of the stream (Y/N) ☒ Y If not, please explain: Additional comments/description of pollution impacts: **Water is slightly turbid****BIOTIC EVALUATION**Performed? (Y/N): ☒ Y (If Yes, Record all observations. Voucher collections optional. NOTE: all voucher samples must be labeled with the site ID number. Include appropriate field data sheets from the Primary Headwater Habitat Assessment Manual)Fish Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ N Salamanders Observed? (Y/N) ☒ N Voucher? (Y/N) ☒ N  
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**APPENDIX D****REPRESENTATIVE STREAMS AND WETLANDS PHOTOGRAPH**



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

October 7, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 1.

Wetland  
LG-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

October 7, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 2.

Wetland  
LG-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



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**Date:**

October 7, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 3.

Wetland  
LG-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

October 7, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 4.

Wetland  
LG-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing South



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FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

October 7, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 5.

Wetland  
LG-01

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 6.

Wetland  
LO-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing North



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FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
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60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 7.

Wetland  
LO-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 8.

Wetland  
LO-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



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Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 9.

Wetland  
LO-01

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 10.

Wetland  
LO-01

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile



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Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 11.

Wetland  
LO-02

PEM

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 12.

Wetland  
LO-02

PEM

Category 1



Facing South



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FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 13.

Wetland  
LO-02

PEM

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 14.

Wetland  
LO-02

PEM

Category 1



Facing West



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FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
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60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 15.

Wetland  
LO-02

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 16.

Wetland  
LO-03

PEM

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 17.

Wetland  
LO-03

PEM

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 18.

Wetland  
LO-03

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 19.

Wetland  
LO-03

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 20.

Wetland  
LO-03

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 21.

Wetland  
LO-04

PEM

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 22.

Wetland  
LO-04

PEM

Category 1



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 23.

Wetland  
LO-04

PEM

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 24.

Wetland  
LO-04

PEM

Category 1



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 25.

Wetland  
LO-04

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 26.

Wetland  
LO-05

PEM

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 27.

Wetland  
LO-05

PEM

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 28.

Wetland  
LO-05

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 29.

Wetland  
LO-05

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 30.

Wetland  
LO-05

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 31.

Wetland  
LO-06

PEM

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 32.

Wetland  
LO-06

PEM

Category 1



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 33.

Wetland  
LO-06

PEM

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 34.

Wetland  
LO-06

PEM

Category 1



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 35.

Wetland  
LO-06

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 36.

Wetland  
LO-07

PSS

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 37.

Wetland  
LO-07

PSS

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 38.

Wetland  
LO-07

PSS

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 39.

Wetland  
LO-07

PSS

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 40.

Wetland  
LO-07

PSS

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 41.

Wetland  
LO-08

PSS

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 42.

Wetland  
LO-08

PSS

Category 1



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 43.

Wetland  
LO-08

PSS

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 44.

Wetland  
LO-08

PSS

Category 1



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 45.

Wetland  
LO-08

PSS

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 46.

Wetland  
LO-09a

PEM

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 47.

Wetland  
LO-09a

PEM

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 48.

Wetland  
LO-09a

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 49.

Wetland  
LO-09a

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 50.

Wetland  
LO-09a

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 51.

Wetland  
LO-09b

PSS

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 52.

Wetland  
LO-09b

PSS

Category 1



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 53.

Wetland  
LO-09b

PSS

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 54.

Wetland  
LO-09b

PSS

Category 1



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 55.

Wetland  
LO-09b

PSS

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 56.

Wetland  
LO-09c

PUB

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 57.

Wetland  
LO-09c

PUB

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 58.

Wetland  
LO-09c

PUB

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 59.

Wetland  
LO-09c

PUB

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 60.

Wetland  
LO-09c

PUB

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 61.

Wetland  
LO-10

PEM

Category 1



Facing North

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 62.

Wetland  
LO-10

PEM

Category 1



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 63.

Wetland  
LO-10

PEM

Category 1



Facing East

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 64.

Wetland  
LO-10

PEM

Category 1



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 65.

Wetland  
LO-10

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 66.

Wetland  
LO-11

PEM

Category 2



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 67.

Wetland  
LO-11

PEM

Category 2



Facing South

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 68.

Wetland  
LO-11

PEM

Category 2



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 69.

Wetland  
LO-11

PEM

Category 2



Facing West

**Date:**

January 16, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 70.

Wetland  
LO-11

PEM

Category 2



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 71.

Wetland  
LO-12a

PEM

Category 2



Facing North

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 72.

Wetland  
LO-12a

PEM

Category 2



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 73.

Wetland  
LO-12a

PEM

Category 2



Facing East

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 74.

Wetland  
LO-12a

PEM

Category 2



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 75.

Wetland  
LO-12a

PEM

Category 2



Soil Profile

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 76.

Wetland  
LO-12b

PSS

Category 2



Facing Northeast



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 77.

Wetland  
LO-12b

PSS

Category 2



Facing South

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 78.

Wetland  
LO-12b

PSS

Category 2



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 79.

Wetland  
LO-12b

PSS

Category 2



Facing West

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Photograph 80.

Wetland  
LO-12b

PSS

Category 2



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 81.

Wetland  
LO-13

PEM

Category 2



Facing North

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 82.

Wetland  
LO-13

PEM

Category 2



Facing South



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 83.

Wetland  
LO-13

PEM

Category 2



Facing East

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 84.

Wetland  
LO-13

PEM

Category 2



Facing West



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 85.

Wetland  
LO-13

PEM

Category 2



Soil Profile

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 86.

Wetland  
LO-40

PEM

Category 1



Facing North



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 87.

Wetland  
LO-40

PEM

Category 1



Facing South

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 88.

Wetland  
LO-40

PEM

Category 1



Facing East



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 89.

Wetland  
LO-40

PEM

Category 1



Facing West

**Date:**November 17,  
2020**Description:**

Photograph 90.

Wetland  
LO-40

PEM

Category 1



Soil Profile



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-01

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Upstream

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-01

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Downstream



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-01

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Substrate

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-02

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Upstream



**Client Name:**

American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company

**Site Location:**

Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project

**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-02

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Downstream

**Date:**

January 14, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-02

Perennial

Modified Class 2



Substrate



**Client Name:**American Transmission Systems, Inc, a  
FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-03

Perennial

Very poor



Upstream

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-03

Perennial

Very poor



Downstream



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FirstEnergy Company**Site Location:**Lakeview-Greenfield 138 kV Transmission Line  
Rebuild Project**Project No.**

60640025

**Date:**

January 15, 2020

**Description:**

Stream LO-03

Perennial

Very poor



Substrate

**Date:****Description:**

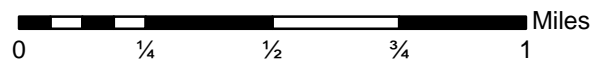
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**Legend**

- Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Structures
- Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Line
- Project Area
- Flood Zone



**Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line  
Reconductor and Rebuild Project**

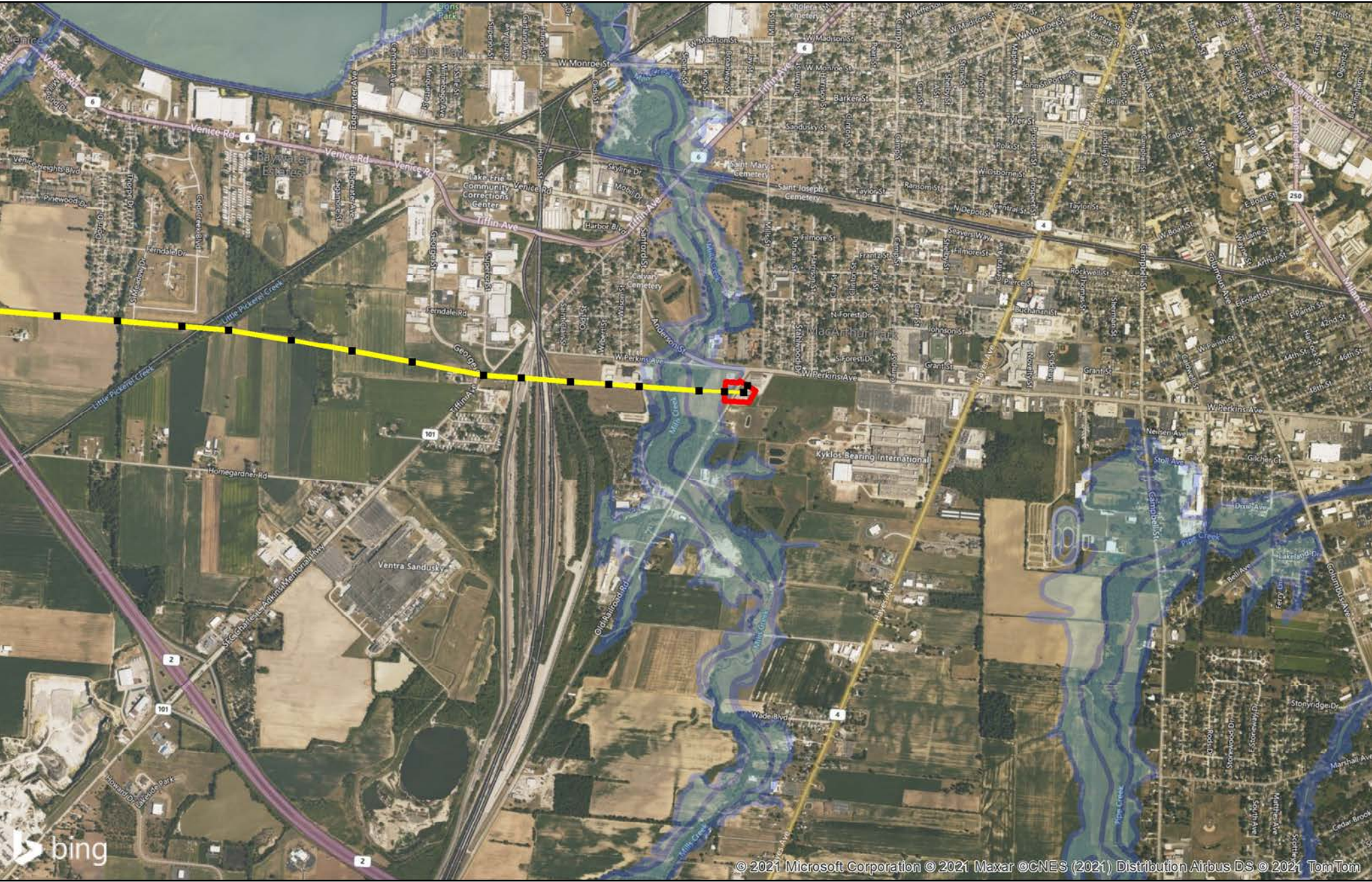
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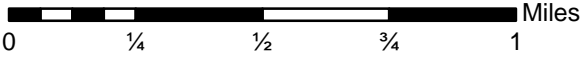






**Legend**

- Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Structures
- Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Line
- Project Area
- Flood Zone



**Greenfield-Lakeview 138kV Transmission Line  
Reconductor and Rebuild Project**



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