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**SUBJECT: Critical Areas Report for Parcels 873196TRCT, 873202TR-A, and 873201TRCT, City of Federal Way, WA
Twin Lakes HOA – Lake Lorene**

Dear Craig,

On May 19, 2026, AOA conducted a wetland and aquatic area delineation on the subject property utilizing the methodology outlined in the May 2010 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region* (Version 2.0). The purpose of this review was to identify and delineate any wetlands or streams on or immediately adjacent to the park situated along Lake Lorene.

The site consists of three adjacent parcels that collectively function as a public park for the Twin Lakes HOA. Observed on-site included play toy structures, park sheds, benches, walking trails, and mowed lawn with scattered Douglas fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*). Topography across the site was generally flat, and existing tree canopy cover was minimal.

One wetland (Wetland A) was identified and delineated during the review. This wetland is associated with the Lake Lorene and Joes Creek aquatic areas which were also delineated during the review. **Attachment A** contains data sheets prepared for representative locations in both the wetland and the uplands on the site. These data sheets document the vegetation, soils, and hydrological information that aided in the wetland boundary delineation.

Wetland A and Associated Aquatic Areas

Wetland A is a historically excavated Depressional Hydrogeomorphic classed wetland located along the park in the western portion of the site and is associated with Lake Lorene. Hydrologic flow travels east via Joes Creek which acts as the outlet. Joes Creek continues to flow south off-site to the east before crossing SW 325th St and entering Jeane Lake off-site to the southeast.

Vegetation within the wetland consisted primarily of an open water and aquatic bed community, with forested and emergent plant communities occurring along the

wetland perimeter. Species observed during the review within the wetland included black cottonwood (*Populus trichocarpa*), red alder (*Alnus rubra*), Scouler willow (*Salix scouleriana*), pacific willow (*Salix lasiandra*), Himalayan blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus*), cattail (*Typha latifolia*), soft rush (*Juncus effusus*), American brooklime (*Veronica americana*), yellow flag iris (*Iris pseudacorus*), and reed canarygrass (*Phalaris arundinacea*).

Wetland A meets the criteria for a Category III wetland with 5 Habitat Points (**Attachment B**). Category III wetlands with 5 Habitat Points require a standard 80-foot buffer plus 5-foot structure setback from the wetland edge per FWRC 19.145.420(2). The Lake Lorene and Joes Creek aquatic areas both meet the criteria for Type F Water per the Washington Department of Natural Resources water typing system and require a standard 100-foot buffer and 5-foot structure setback from the delineated ordinary high-water (OHW) per FWRC 19.145.270(1)(a).

If you have any questions regarding the report, please let me know.

Sincerely,

ALTMANN OLIVER ASSOCIATES, LLC

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Dain Altmann
Ecologist

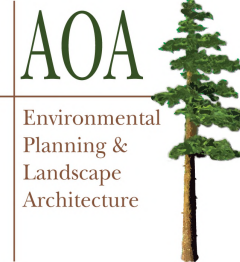
Attachments

- Critical Areas Map
- Attachment A: Datasheets
- Attachment B: Wetland Rating

City of Federal Way
Parcels: 873196TRCT , 873202TR-A,
873201TRCT

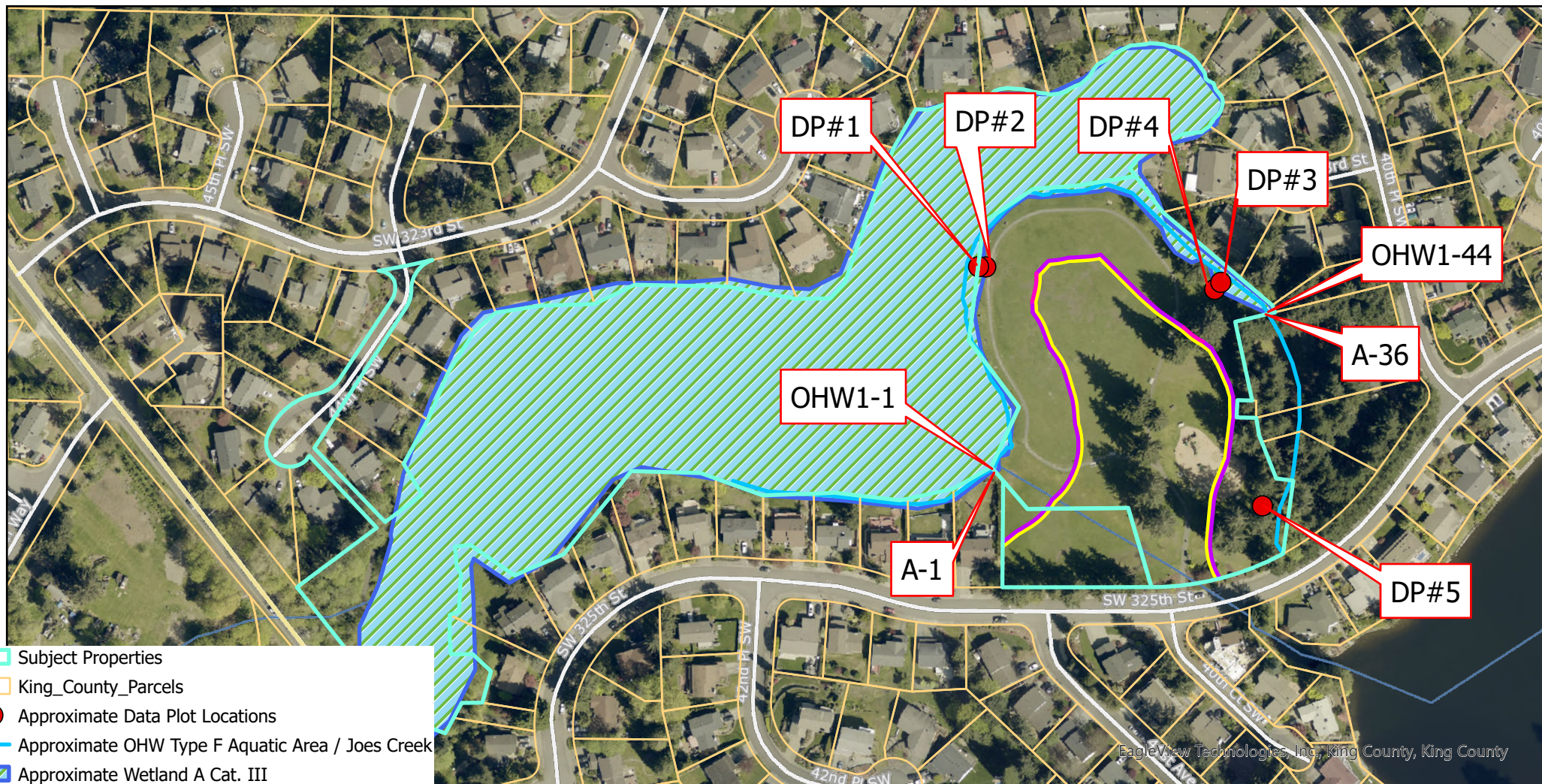
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Critical Areas Map



- Subject Properties
- King County Parcels
- Approximate Data Plot Locations
- Approximate OHW Type F Aquatic Area / Joes Creek
- Approximate Wetland A Cat. III
- Approximate 80' Wetland Buffer
- Approximate 100' Aquatic Area Buffer
- Approximate 5' Building Setback

0 85 170 340 510 680 US Feet



ATTACHMENT A

DATA SHEETS

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

Project Site: Parcels 873196TRCT, 87320-2TR-A and -1TRCT City/County: Federal Way/ Sampling Date: 5-19-26
 Applicant/Owner: Twin Lakes HOA State: WA Sampling Point: DP#1
 Investigator(s): Dain Altmann, Jason Panzera Section, Township, Range: _____
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): _____ Local relief (concave, convex, none): _____ Slope (%): _____
 Subregion (LRR): A Lat: 47.31253 Long: -122.38574 Datum: _____
 Soil Map Unit Name: RaC/W NWI classification: _____
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ☒ No ☐	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☒ No ☐		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☒ No ☐		
Remarks: Located approximately 10' into Wetland A at A-17, see map for location			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test Worksheet:	
1. <u><i>Alnus rubra</i></u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	<u>4</u> (A)
2. <u><i>Salix scouleriana</i></u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	<u>4</u> (B)
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	<u>100</u> (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Prevalence Index worksheet:	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	OBL species _____	x1 = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACW species _____	x2 = _____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	FAC species _____	x3 = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACU species _____	x4 = _____
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		UPL species _____	x5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Column Totals: _____ (A)	_____ (B)
1. <u><i>Veronica americana</i></u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>OBL</u>	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____	
2. <u><i>Poa pratensis</i></u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	☒ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Yes	☒ No ☐
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____					

Remarks:

SOILSampling Point: DP#1**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 ¹	Loc ²		
0-16"	10YR3/2	95	10YR4/3	5	_____	_____	sandy loam	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

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|--|--|
| ☐ Histosol (A1) | ☐ Sandy Redox (S5) |
| ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2) | ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| ☐ Black Histic (A3) | ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12) | ☒ Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | ☐ Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks) |

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.**Restrictive Layer (if present):**

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soils Present?Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

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

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|--|---|
| ☐ Surface Water (A1) | ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) |
| ☐ High Water Table (A2) | (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B) |
| ☐ Saturation (A3) | ☐ Salt Crust (B11) |
| ☒ Water Marks (B1) | ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13) |
| ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) | ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) |
| ☐ Drift Deposits (B3) | ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3) |
| ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4) | ☒ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) |
| ☐ Iron Deposits (B5) | ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) |
| ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) | ☐ Stunted or Stresses Plants (D1) (LRR A) |
| ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) | ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks) |
| ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8) | |

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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| ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) |
| (MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B) |
| ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10) |
| ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2) |
| ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) |
| ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2) |
| ☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3) |
| ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5) |
| ☐ Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (LRR A) |
| ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) |

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____**Wetland Hydrology Present?** Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

Project Site: Parcels 873196TRCT, 87320-2TR-A and -1TRCT City/County: Federal Way/ Sampling Date: 5-19-26
 Applicant/Owner: Twin Lakes HOA State: WA Sampling Point: DP#2
 Investigator(s): Dain Altmann, Jason Panzera Section, Township, Range: _____
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): _____ Local relief (concave, convex, none): _____ Slope (%): _____
 Subregion (LRR): A Lat: 47.31253 Long: -122.38574 Datum: _____
 Soil Map Unit Name: RaC/W NWI classification: _____
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ☒ No ☐	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes ☐ No ☒
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Remarks: Located approximately 10' upland from Wetland A at A-17, see map for location			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test Worksheet:	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	<u>2</u> (A)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	<u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	<u>100</u> (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Prevalence Index worksheet:	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	OBL species _____	x1 = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACW species _____	x2 = _____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	FAC species _____	x3 = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACU species _____	x4 = _____
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		UPL species _____	x5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Column Totals: _____ (A)	_____ (B)
1. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____	
2. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FAC</u>		
3. <u>Leucanthemum vulgare</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>no</u>	<u>FACU</u>		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation	
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10. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.	
50% = <u>55</u> , 20% = <u>22</u>	<u>110</u>	= Total Cover			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____					
Remarks: mowed vegetation					

SOILSampling Point: DP#2**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 ¹	Loc ²		
0-16"	10YR3/2	100	_____	_____	_____	_____	silty loam	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soils Present?Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks: No redoximorphic features

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

Remarks: Dry

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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test Worksheet:
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2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100</u> (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Prevalence Index worksheet:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	OBL species _____ x1 = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACW species _____ x2 = _____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	FAC species _____ x3 = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACU species _____ x4 = _____
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		UPL species _____ x5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)
1. <u><i>Veronica americana</i></u>	<u>100</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>OBL</u>	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ☒ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____				

Remarks:

SOILSampling Point: DP#3**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 ¹	Loc ²		
0-16"	10YR4/2	100	95	10YR4/6	5		sand	

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

- ☐ Histosol (A1) ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
☐ Histic Epipedon (A2) ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
☐ Black Histic (A3) ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) **(except MLRA 1)**
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) ☒ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12) ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.**Restrictive Layer (if present):**

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soils Present?Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

HYDROLOGY**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1) ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
☐ High Water Table (A2) **(except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)**
☒ Saturation (A3) ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Water Marks (B1) ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2) ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3) ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4) ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Iron Deposits (B5) ☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6) ☐ Stunted or Stresses Plants (D1) **(LRR A)**
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
(MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
☐ Raised Ant Mounds (D6) **(LRR A)**
☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): surface**Wetland Hydrology Present?** Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

Project Site: Parcels 873196TRCT, 87320-2TR-A and -1TRCT City/County: Federal Way/ Sampling Date: 5-19-26
 Applicant/Owner: Twin Lakes HOA State: WA Sampling Point: DP#4
 Investigator(s): Dain Altmann, Jason Panzera Section, Township, Range: _____
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): slope Local relief (concave, convex, none): _____ Slope (%): _____
 Subregion (LRR): A Lat: 47.31253 Long: -122.38574 Datum: _____
 Soil Map Unit Name: RaC/W NWI classification: _____
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ☒ No ☐	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes ☐ No ☒
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Remarks: Located approximately 10' upland from Wetland A at A-35, see map for location			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test Worksheet:	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	1 (A)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	1 (B)
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	100 (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover			
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Prevalence Index worksheet:	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	OBL species _____	x1 = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACW species _____	x2 = _____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	FAC species _____	x3 = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACU species _____	x4 = _____
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		UPL species _____	x5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Column Totals: _____ (A)	_____ (B)
1. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	100	yes	FAC	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	☒ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____		
11. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = 50, 20% = 20	100	= Total Cover		Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 10')					
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover			
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____					

Remarks:

SOILSampling Point: DP#4**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 ¹	Loc ²		
0-16"	10YR5/2	100	_____	_____	_____	_____	clay	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
☐ Black Histic (A3)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) **(except MLRA 1)**
☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.**Restrictive Layer (if present):**

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soils Present?Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks: No redoximorphic features

HYDROLOGY**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
☐ High Water Table (A2)
☐ Saturation (A3)
☐ Water Marks (B1)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
(except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Stunted or Stresses Plants (D1) **(LRR A)**
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
(MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
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☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
☐ Raised Ant Mounds (D6) **(LRR A)**
☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____**Wetland Hydrology Present?** Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks: Dry

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

Project Site: Parcels 873196TRCT, 87320-2TR-A and -1TRCT City/County: Federal Way/ Sampling Date: 5-19-26
 Applicant/Owner: Twin Lakes HOA State: WA Sampling Point: DP#5
 Investigator(s): Dain Altmann, Jason Panzera Section, Township, Range: _____
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): _____ Local relief (concave, convex, none): _____ Slope (%): _____
 Subregion (LRR): A Lat: 47.31253 Long: -122.38574 Datum: _____
 Soil Map Unit Name: RaC/W NWI classification: _____
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes ☐ No ☒
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☒		
Remarks: Located in uplands, see map for location			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10')	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test Worksheet:
1. <u>Pseudotsuga menziesii</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Prevalence Index worksheet:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	OBL species _____ x1 = _____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACW species _____ x2 = _____
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	FAC species _____ x3 = _____
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	FACU species _____ x4 = _____
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		UPL species _____ x5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = _____, 20% = _____	_____	= Total Cover		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 10')				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒
1. <u>Hedera helix</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>yes</u>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
50% = <u>50</u> , 20% = <u>20</u>	<u>100</u>	= Total Cover		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum _____				

Remarks:

SOILSampling Point: DP#5**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 ¹	Loc ²		
0-16"	10YR4/3	100	_____	_____	_____	_____	sandy loam	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

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☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
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☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)

- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) **(except MLRA 1)**
☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10)
☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

³Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.**Restrictive Layer (if present):**

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soils Present?Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks: No redoximorphic features

HYDROLOGY**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
☐ High Water Table (A2)
☐ Saturation (A3)
☐ Water Marks (B1)
☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
(except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
☐ Salt Crust (B11)
☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres along Living Roots (C3)
☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
☐ Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)
☐ Stunted or Stresses Plants (D1) **(LRR A)**
☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
(MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)
☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
☐ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
☐ Raised Ant Mounds (D6) **(LRR A)**
☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____**Wetland Hydrology Present?** Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks: Dry

ATTACHMENT B

WETLAND RATING

RATING SUMMARY – Western Washington

Name of wetland (or ID #): Parcels 873196TRCT , 873202TR-A, 873201TRCT Date of site visit: 5/19/2026

Rated by Altmann Trained by Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No Date of training 03/15 & 06/22

HGM Class used for rating Depressional & Flats Wetland has multiple HGM classes? ☐ Yes ☒ No

NOTE: Form is not complete with out the figures requested (figures can be combined).

Source of base aerial photo/map King County iMAP

OVERALL WETLAND CATEGORY III (based on functions ☒ or special characteristics ☐)

1. Category of wetland based on FUNCTIONS

 Category I - Total score = 23 - 27
 Category II - Total score = 20 - 22
 X Category III - Total score = 16 - 19
 Category IV - Total score = 9 - 15

FUNCTION	Improving Water Quality	Hydrologic	Habitat	
<i>List appropriate rating (H, M, L)</i>				
Site Potential	L	L	M	
Landscape Potential	M	H	L	
Value	H	L	M	
Score Based on Ratings	6	5	5	Total 16

**Score for each
function based
on three
ratings**
*(order of ratings
is not
important)*

9 = H, H, H
 8 = H, H, M
 7 = H, H, L
 7 = H, M, M
 6 = H, M, L
 6 = M, M, M
 5 = H, L, L
 5 = M, M, L
 4 = M, L, L
 3 = L, L, L

2. Category based on SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS of wetland

CHARACTERISTIC	Category
Estuarine	
Wetland of High Conservation Value	
Bog	
Mature Forest	
Old Growth Forest	
Coastal Lagoon	
Interdunal	
None of the above	X

Maps and Figures required to answer questions correctly for Western Washington

Depressional Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	D 1.3, H 1.1, H 1.4	B
Hydroperiods	D 1.4, H 1.2	B
Location of outlet (<i>can be added to map of hydroperiods</i>)	D 1.1, D 4.1	B
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	D 2.2, D 5.2	B
Map of the contributing basin	D 4.3, D 5.3	A
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	A
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	D 3.1, D 3.2	C
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	D 3.3	D

Riverine Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	H 1.1, H 1.4	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2	
Ponded depressions	R 1.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 2.4	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	R 1.2, R 4.2	
Width of unit vs. width of stream (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	R 4.1	
Map of the contributing basin	R 2.2, R 2.3, R 5.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	R 3.1	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	R 3.2, R 3.3	

Lake Fringe Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	L 1.1, L 4.1, H 1.1, H 1.4	
Plant cover of trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	L 1.2	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	L 2.2	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	L 3.1, L 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	L 3.3	

Slope Wetlands

Map of:	To answer questions:	Figure #
Cowardin plant classes	H 1.1, H 1.4	
Hydroperiods	H 1.2	
Plant cover of dense trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants	S 1.3	
Plant cover of dense, rigid trees, shrubs, and herbaceous plants (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 4.1	
Boundary of area within 150 ft of the wetland (<i>can be added to another figure</i>)	S 2.1, S 5.1	
1 km Polygon: Area that extends 1 km from entire wetland edge - including polygons for accessible habitat and undisturbed habitat	H 2.1, H 2.2, H 2.3	
Screen capture of map of 303(d) listed waters in basin (from Ecology website)	S 3.1, S 3.2	
Screen capture of list of TMDLs for WRIA in which unit is found (from web)	S 3.3	

HGM Classification of Wetland in Western Washington

For questions 1 -7, the criteria described must apply to the entire unit being rated.
If hydrologic criteria listed in each question do not apply to the entire unit being rated, you probably have a unit with multiple HGM classes. In this case, identify which hydrologic criteria in questions 1 - 7 apply, and go to Question 8.

1. Are the water levels in the entire unit usually controlled by tides except during floods?

- ☒ **NO** - go to 2 ☐ **YES** - the wetland class is **Tidal Fringe** - go to 1.1

1.1 Is the salinity of the water during periods of annual low flow below 0.5 ppt (parts per thousand)?

- ☐ **NO - Saltwater Tidal Fringe (Estuarine)** ☐ **YES - Freshwater Tidal Fringe**
*If your wetland can be classified as a Freshwater Tidal Fringe use the forms for **Riverine** wetlands.*
*If it is Saltwater Tidal Fringe it is an **Estuarine** wetland and is not scored. This method **cannot** be used to score functions for estuarine wetlands.*

2. The entire wetland unit is flat and precipitation is the only source (>90%) of water to it.
Groundwater and surface water runoff are NOT sources of water to the unit.

- ☒ **NO** - go to 3 ☐ **YES** - The wetland class is **Flats**
*If your wetland can be classified as a Flats wetland, use the form for **Depressional** wetlands.*

3. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The vegetated part of the wetland is on the shores of a body of permanent open water (without any plants on the surface at any time of the year) at least 20 ac (8 ha) in size;
☐ At least 30% of the open water area is deeper than 6.6 ft (2 m).

- ☒ **NO** - go to 4 ☐ **YES** - The wetland class is **Lake Fringe** (Lacustrine Fringe)

4. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The wetland is on a slope (*slope can be very gradual*),
☐ The water flows through the wetland in one direction (unidirectional) and usually comes from seeps. It may flow subsurface, as sheetflow, or in a swale without distinct banks.
☐ The water leaves the wetland **without being impounded**.

- ☒ **NO** - go to 5 ☐ **YES** - The wetland class is **Slope**

NOTE: Surface water does not pond in these type of wetlands except occasionally in very small and shallow depressions or behind hummocks (depressions are usually <3 ft diameter and less than 1 ft deep).

5. Does the entire wetland unit **meet all** of the following criteria?

- ☐ The unit is in a valley, or stream channel, where it gets inundated by overbank flooding from that stream or river,
☐ The overbank flooding occurs at least once every 2 years.

- ☒ **NO** - go to 6 ☐ **YES** - The wetland class is **Riverine**

NOTE: The Riverine unit can contain depressions that are filled with water when the river is not flooding.

6. Is the entire wetland unit in a topographic depression in which water ponds, or is saturated to the surface, at some time during the year? *This means that any outlet, if present, is higher than the interior of the wetland.*

☐ NO - go to 7

☒ **YES** - The wetland class is **Depressional**

7. Is the entire wetland unit located in a very flat area with no obvious depression and no overbank flooding? The unit does not pond surface water more than a few inches. The unit seems to be maintained by high groundwater in the area. The wetland may be ditched, but has no obvious natural outlet.

☒ NO - go to 8

☐ **YES** - The wetland class is **Depressional**

8. Your wetland unit seems to be difficult to classify and probably contains several different HGM classes. For example, seeps at the base of a slope may grade into a riverine floodplain, or a small stream within a Depressional wetland has a zone of flooding along its sides. **GO BACK AND IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE HYDROLOGIC REGIMES DESCRIBED IN QUESTIONS 1-7 APPLY TO DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE UNIT** (make a rough sketch to help you decide). Use the following table to identify the appropriate class to use for the rating system if you have several HGM classes present within the wetland unit being scored.

NOTE: Use this table only if the class that is recommended in the second column represents 10% or more of the total area of the wetland unit being rated. If the area of the HGM class listed in column 2 is less than 10% of the unit; classify the wetland using the class that represents more than 90% of the total area.

HGM classes within the wetland unit being rated	HGM class to use in rating
Slope + Riverine	Riverine
Slope + Depressional	Depressional
Slope + Lake Fringe	Lake Fringe
Depressional + Riverine along stream within boundary of depression	Depressional
Depressional + Lake Fringe	Depressional
Riverine + Lake Fringe	Riverine
Salt Water Tidal Fringe and any other class of freshwater wetland	Treat as ESTUARINE

*If you are still unable to determine which of the above criteria apply to your wetland, or if you have **more than 2 HGM classes** within a wetland boundary, classify the wetland as Depressional for the rating.*

NOTES and FIELD OBSERVATIONS:

DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS**Water Quality Functions** - Indicators that the site functions to improve water quality

D 1.0. Does the site have the potential to improve water quality?		
D 1.1. Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland: Wetland is a depression or flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key) with no surface water leaving it (no outlet). points = 3 Wetland has an intermittently flowing stream or ditch, OR highly constricted permanently flowing outlet. points = 2 ☒ Wetland has an unconstricted, or slightly constricted, surface outlet that is permanently flowing points = 1 ☐ Wetland is a flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key), whose outlet is a permanently flowing ditch. points = 1		1
D 1.2. The soil 2 in below the surface (or duff layer) is true clay or true organic (use NRCS definitions). Yes = 4 No = 0		0
D 1.3. Characteristics and distribution of persistent plants (Emergent, Scrub-shrub, and/or Forested Cowardin classes): Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > 95% of area points = 5 Wetland has persistent, ungrazed, plants > 1/2 of area points = 3 Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants > 1/10 of area points = 1 Wetland has persistent, ungrazed plants < 1/10 of area points = 0		1
D 1.4. Characteristics of seasonal ponding or inundation: <i>This is the area that is ponded for at least 2 months. See description in manual.</i> Area seasonally ponded is > 1/2 total area of wetland points = 4 Area seasonally ponded is > 1/4 total area of wetland points = 2 Area seasonally ponded is < 1/4 total area of wetland points = 0		0
Total for D 1 Add the points in the boxes above		2

Rating of Site Potential If score is: ☐ 12 - 16 = H ☐ 6 - 11 = M ☒ 0 - 5 = L Record the rating on the first page

D 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the water quality function of the site?		
D 2.1. Does the wetland unit receive stormwater discharges? Yes = 1 No = 0		1
D 2.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate pollutants? Yes = 1 No = 0		1
D 2.3. Are there septic systems within 250 ft of the wetland? Yes = 1 No = 0		0
D 2.4. Are there other sources of pollutants coming into the wetland that are not listed in questions D 2.1 - D 2.3? Yes = 1 No = 0		0
Total for D 2 Add the points in the boxes above		2

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: ☐ 3 or 4 = H ☒ 1 or 2 = M ☐ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

D 3.0. Is the water quality improvement provided by the site valuable to society?		
D 3.1. Does the wetland discharge directly (i.e., within 1 mi) to a stream, river, lake, or marine water that is on the 303(d) list? Yes = 1 No = 0		1
D 3.2. Is the wetland in a basin or sub-basin where an aquatic resource is on the 303(d) list? Yes = 1 No = 0		1
D 3.3. Has the site been identified in a watershed or local plan as important for maintaining water quality (answer YES if there is a TMDL for the basin in which the unit is found)? Yes = 2 No = 0		2
Total for D 3 Add the points in the boxes above		4

Rating of Value If score is: ☒ 2 - 4 = H ☐ 1 = M ☐ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

DEPRESSIONAL AND FLATS WETLANDS

Hydrologic Functions - Indicators that the site functions to reduce flooding and stream degradation

D 4.0. Does the site have the potential to reduce flooding and erosion?		
D 4.1. <u>Characteristics of surface water outflows from the wetland:</u> Wetland is a depression or flat depression with no surface water leaving it (no outlet) points = 4 Wetland has an intermittently flowing stream or ditch, OR highly constricted permanently flowing outlet points = 2 Wetland is a flat depression (QUESTION 7 on key), whose outlet is a permanently flowing ditch points = 1 Wetland has an unconstricted, or slightly constricted, surface outlet that is permanently flowing points = 0	0	
D 4.2. <u>Depth of storage during wet periods:</u> <i>Estimate the height of ponding above the bottom of the outlet. For wetlands with no outlet, measure from the surface of permanent water or if dry, the deepest part.</i> Marks of ponding are 3 ft or more above the surface or bottom of outlet points = 7 Marks of ponding between 2 ft to < 3 ft from surface or bottom of outlet points = 5 ☐ Marks are at least 0.5 ft to < 2 ft from surface or bottom of outlet points = 3 ☐ The wetland is a "headwater" wetland points = 3 Wetland is flat but has small depressions on the surface that trap water points = 1 Marks of ponding less than 0.5 ft (6 in) points = 0	0	
D 4.3. <u>Contribution of the wetland to storage in the watershed:</u> <i>Estimate the ratio of the area of upstream basin contributing surface water to the wetland to the area of the wetland unit itself.</i> ☐ The area of the basin is less than 10 times the area of the unit points = 5 The area of the basin is 10 to 100 times the area of the unit points = 3 The area of the basin is more than 100 times the area of the unit points = 0 ☐ Entire wetland is in the Flats class points = 5	3	
Total for D 4 Add the points in the boxes above		3

Rating of Site Potential If score is: ☐ 12 - 16 = H ☐ 6 - 11 = M ☒ 0 - 5 = L Record the rating on the first page

D 5.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support hydrologic function of the site?		
D 5.1. Does the wetland unit receive stormwater discharges?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
D 5.2. Is > 10% of the area within 150 ft of the wetland in land uses that generate excess runoff?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
D 5.3. Is more than 25% of the contributing basin of the wetland covered with intensive human land uses (residential at >1 residence/ac, urban, commercial, agriculture, etc.)?	Yes = 1 No = 0	1
Total for D 5 Add the points in the boxes above		3

Rating of Landscape Potential If score is: ☒ 3 = H ☐ 1 or 2 = M ☐ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

D 6.0. Are the hydrologic functions provided by the site valuable to society?		
D 6.1. <u>The unit is in a landscape that has flooding problems.</u> <i>Choose the description that best matches conditions around the wetland unit being rated. Do not add points. Choose the highest score if more than one condition is met.</i>		
The wetland captures surface water that would otherwise flow down-gradient into areas where flooding has damaged human or natural resources (e.g., houses or salmon redds): • Flooding occurs in a sub-basin that is immediately down-gradient of unit. points = 2 ☐ • Surface flooding problems are in a sub-basin farther down-gradient. points = 1 ☐ Flooding from groundwater is an issue in the sub-basin. points = 1 ☐ The existing or potential outflow from the wetland is so constrained by human or natural conditions that the water stored by the wetland cannot reach areas that flood. Explain why points = 0 ☒ There are no problems with flooding downstream of the wetland. points = 0	0	
D 6.2. Has the site been identified as important for flood storage or flood conveyance in a regional flood control plan? Yes = 2 No = 0	0	
Total for D 6 Add the points in the boxes above		0

Rating of Value If score is: ☐ 2 - 4 = H ☐ 1 = M ☒ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page

These questions apply to wetlands of all HGM classes.

HABITAT FUNCTIONS - Indicators that site functions to provide important habitat

H 1.0. Does the site have the potential to provide habitat?

H 1.1. Structure of plant community: *Indicators are Cowardin classes and strata within the Forested class.* Check the Cowardin plant classes in the wetland. *Up to 10 patches may be combined for each class to meet the threshold of ¼ ac or more than 10% of the unit if it is smaller than 2.5 ac. Add the number of structures checked.*

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| ☒ Aquatic bed | 4 structures or more: points = 4 | 4 |
| ☒ Emergent | 3 structures: points = 2 | |
| ☐ Scrub-shrub (areas where shrubs have > 30% cover) | 2 structures: points = 1 | |
| ☒ Forested (areas where trees have > 30% cover) | 1 structure: points = 0 | |
| <i>If the unit has a Forested class, check if:</i> | | |
| ☒ The Forested class has 3 out of 5 strata (canopy, sub-canopy, shrubs, herbaceous, moss/ground-cover) that each cover 20% within the Forested polygon | | |

H 1.2. Hydroperiods

Check the types of water regimes (hydroperiods) present within the wetland. The water regime has to cover more than 10% of the wetland or ¼ ac to count (*see text for descriptions of hydroperiods*).

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|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| ☒ Permanently flooded or inundated | 4 or more types present: points = 3 | 2 |
| ☐ Seasonally flooded or inundated | 3 types present: points = 2 | |
| ☐ Occasionally flooded or inundated | 2 types present: points = 1 | |
| ☒ Saturated only | 1 types present: points = 0 | |
| ☒ Permanently flowing stream or river in, or adjacent to, the wetland | | |
| ☐ Seasonally flowing stream in, or adjacent to, the wetland | | |
| ☐ Lake Fringe wetland | 2 points | |
| ☐ Freshwater tidal wetland | 2 points | |

H 1.3. Richness of plant species

Count the number of plant species in the wetland that cover at least 10 ft². *Different patches of the same species can be combined to meet the size threshold and you do not have to name the species. Do not include Eurasian milfoil, reed canarygrass, purple loosestrife, Canadian thistle*

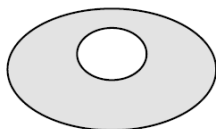
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| If you counted: | > 19 species | points = 2 |
| | 5 - 19 species | points = 1 |
| | < 5 species | points = 0 |

H 1.4. Interspersion of habitats

Decide from the diagrams below whether interspersions among Cowardin plants classes (described in H 1.1), or the classes and unvegetated areas (can include open water or mudflats) is high, moderate, low, or none. *If you have four or more plant classes or three classes and open water, the rating is always high.*



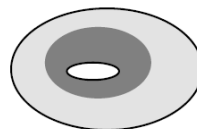
None = 0 points



Low = 1 point

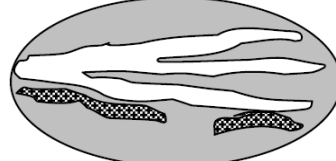
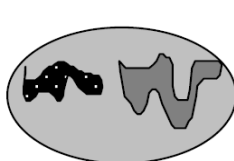


Moderate = 2 points



3

All three diagrams in this row are **HIGH** = 3 points



H 1.5. Special habitat features: Check the habitat features that are present in the wetland. <i>The number of checks is the number of points.</i> ☒ Large, downed, woody debris within the wetland (> 4 in diameter and 6 ft long) ☒ Standing snags (dbh > 4 in) within the wetland ☐ Undercut banks are present for at least 6.6 ft (2 m) and/or overhanging plants extends at least 3.3 ft (1 m) over a stream (or ditch) in, or contiguous with the wetland, for at least 33 ft (10 m) ☐ Stable steep banks of fine material that might be used by beaver or muskrat for denning (> 30 degree slope) OR signs of recent beaver activity are present (<i>cut shrubs or trees that have not yet weathered where wood is exposed</i>) ☐ At least ¼ ac of thin-stemmed persistent plants or woody branches are present in areas that are permanently or seasonally inundated (<i>structures for egg-laying by amphibians</i>) ☐ Invasive plants cover less than 25% of the wetland area in every stratum of plants (see H 1.1 for list of strata)		2
Total for H 1 Add the points in the boxes above		12
Rating of Site Potential If Score is: ☐ 15 - 18 = H ☒ 7 - 14 = M ☐ 0 - 6 = L Record the rating on the first page		

H 2.0. Does the landscape have the potential to support the habitat function of the site?		
H 2.1 Accessible habitat (include only habitat that directly abuts wetland unit). <i>Calculate:</i> 0 % undisturbed habitat + (0.9 % moderate & low intensity land uses / 2) = 0.45%		
If total accessible habitat is: > 1/3 (33.3%) of 1 km Polygon points = 3 20 - 33% of 1 km Polygon points = 2 10 - 19% of 1 km Polygon points = 1 < 10 % of 1 km Polygon points = 0		0
H 2.2. Undisturbed habitat in 1 km Polygon around the wetland. <i>Calculate:</i> 21.8 % undisturbed habitat + (9.7 % moderate & low intensity land uses / 2) = 26.65%		
Undisturbed habitat > 50% of Polygon points = 3 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and in 1-3 patches points = 2 Undisturbed habitat 10 - 50% and > 3 patches points = 1 Undisturbed habitat < 10% of 1 km Polygon points = 0		2
H 2.3 Land use intensity in 1 km Polygon: If > 50% of 1 km Polygon is high intensity land use points = (-2) ≤ 50% of 1km Polygon is high intensity points = 0		-2
Total for H 2 Add the points in the boxes above		0
Rating of Landscape Potential If Score is: ☐ 4 - 6 = H ☐ 1 - 3 = M ☒ < 1 = L Record the rating on the first page		

H 3.0. Is the habitat provided by the site valuable to society?		
H 3.1. Does the site provide habitat for species valued in laws, regulations, or policies? Choose only the highest score that applies to the wetland being rated.		
Site meets ANY of the following criteria: points = 2 ☐ It has 3 or more priority habitats within 100 m (see next page) ☐ It provides habitat for Threatened or Endangered species (any plant or animal on the state or federal lists) ☐ It is mapped as a location for an individual WDFW priority species ☐ It is a Wetland of High Conservation Value as determined by the Department of Natural Resources ☐ It has been categorized as an important habitat site in a local or regional comprehensive plan, in a Shoreline Master Plan, or in a watershed plan		1
Site has 1 or 2 priority habitats (listed on next page) with in 100m points = 1 Site does not meet any of the criteria above points = 0		
Rating of Value If Score is: ☐ 2 = H ☒ 1 = M ☐ 0 = L Record the rating on the first page		

WDFW Priority Habitats

Priority habitats listed by WDFW (see complete descriptions of WDFW priority habitats, and the counties in which they can be found, in: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. 2008. Priority Habitat and Species List. Olympia, Washington. 177 pp.

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/00165/wdfw00165.pdf> or access the list from here:

<http://wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/phs/list/>

Count how many of the following priority habitats are within 330 ft (100 m) of the wetland unit: **NOTE:** *This question is independent of the land use between the wetland unit and the priority habitat.*

- ☐ **Aspen Stands:** Pure or mixed stands of aspen greater than 1 ac (0.4 ha).
- ☐ **Biodiversity Areas and Corridors:** Areas of habitat that are relatively important to various species of native fish and wildlife (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report*).
- ☐ **Herbaceous Balds:** Variable size patches of grass and forbs on shallow soils over bedrock.
- ☐ **Old-growth/Mature forests:** Old-growth west of Cascade crest – Stands of at least 2 tree species, forming a multi-layered canopy with occasional small openings; with at least 8 trees/ac (20 trees/ha) > 32 in (81 cm) dbh or > 200 years of age. Mature forests – Stands with average diameters exceeding 21 in (53 cm) dbh; crown cover may be less than 100%; decay, decadence, numbers of snags, and quantity of large downed material is generally less than that found in old-growth; 80-200 years old west of the Cascade crest.
- ☐ **Oregon White Oak:** Woodland stands of pure oak or oak/conifer associations where canopy coverage of the oak component is important (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 158 – see web link above*).
- ☐ **Riparian:** The area adjacent to aquatic systems with flowing water that contains elements of both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems which mutually influence each other.
- ☐ **Westside Prairies:** Herbaceous, non-forested plant communities that can either take the form of a dry prairie or a wet prairie (*full descriptions in WDFW PHS report p. 161 – see web link above*).
- ☒ **Instream:** The combination of physical, biological, and chemical processes and conditions that interact to provide functional life history requirements for instream fish and wildlife resources.
- ☐ **Nearshore:** Relatively undisturbed nearshore habitats. These include Coastal Nearshore, Open Coast Nearshore, and Puget Sound Nearshore. (*full descriptions of habitats and the definition of relatively undisturbed are in WDFW report – see web link on previous page*).
- ☐ **Caves:** A naturally occurring cavity, recess, void, or system of interconnected passages under the earth in soils, rock, ice, or other geological formations and is large enough to contain a human.
- ☐ **Cliffs:** Greater than 25 ft (7.6 m) high and occurring below 5000 ft elevation.
- ☐ **Talus:** Homogenous areas of rock rubble ranging in average size 0.5 - 6.5 ft (0.15 - 2.0 m), composed of basalt, andesite, and/or sedimentary rock, including riprap slides and mine tailings. May be associated with cliffs.
- ☐ **Snags and Logs:** Trees are considered snags if they are dead or dying and exhibit sufficient decay characteristics to enable cavity excavation/use by wildlife. Priority snags have a diameter at breast height of > 20 in (51 cm) in western Washington and are > 6.5 ft (2 m) in height. Priority logs are > 12 in (30 cm) in diameter at the largest end, and > 20 ft (6 m) long.

Note: All vegetated wetlands are by definition a priority habitat but are not included in this list because they are addressed elsewhere.

CATEGORIZATION BASED ON SPECIAL CHARACTERISTICS

Wetland Type	Category
<i>Check off any criteria that apply to the wetland. List the category when the appropriate criteria are met.</i>	
SC 1.0. Estuarine Wetlands Does the wetland meet the following criteria for Estuarine wetlands? ☐ The dominant water regime is tidal, ☐ Vegetated, and ☐ With a salinity greater than 0.5 ppt ☐ Yes - Go to SC 1.1 ☒ No = Not an estuarine wetland	
SC 1.1. Is the wetland within a National Wildlife Refuge, National Park, National Estuary Reserve, Natural Area Preserve, State Park or Educational, Environmental, or Scientific Reserve designated under WAC 332-30-151? ☐ Yes = Category I ☐ No - Go to SC 1.2	
SC 1.2. Is the wetland unit at least 1 ac in size and meets at least two of the following three conditions? ☐ The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing, and has less than 10% cover of non-native plant species. (If non-native species are <i>Spartina</i> , see page 25) ☐ At least ¾ of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or un-grazed or un-mowed grassland. ☐ The wetland has at least two of the following features: tidal channels, depressions with open water, or contiguous freshwater wetlands. ☐ Yes = Category I ☐ No = Category II	
SC 2.0. Wetlands of High Conservation Value (WHCV) SC 2.1. Has the WA Department of Natural Resources updated their website to include the list of Wetlands of High Conservation Value? ☐ Yes - Go to SC 2.2 ☐ No - Go to SC 2.3 SC 2.2. Is the wetland listed on the WDNR database as a Wetland of High Conservation Value? ☐ Yes = Category I ☒ No = Not WHCV SC 2.3. Is the wetland in a Section/Township/Range that contains a Natural Heritage wetland? http://www1.dnr.wa.gov/nhp/refdesk/datasetsearch/wnhpwwetlands.pdf ☐ Yes - Contact WNHP/WDNR and to SC 2.4 ☐ No = Not WHCV SC 2.4. Has WDNR identified the wetland within the S/T/R as a Wetland of High Conservation Value and listed it on their website? ☐ Yes = Category I ☐ No = Not WHCV	
SC 3.0. Bogs Does the wetland (or any part of the unit) meet both the criteria for soils and vegetation in bogs? <i>Use the key below. If you answer YES you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i> SC 3.1. Does an area within the wetland unit have organic soil horizons, either peats or mucks, that compose 16 in or more of the first 32 in of the soil profile? ☐ Yes - Go to SC 3.3 ☒ No - Go to SC 3.2 SC 3.2. Does an area within the wetland unit have organic soils, either peats or mucks, that are less than 16 in deep over bedrock, or an impermeable hardpan such as clay or volcanic ash, or that are floating on top of a lake or pond? ☐ Yes - Go to SC 3.3 ☒ No = Is not a bog SC 3.3. Does an area with peats or mucks have more than 70% cover of mosses at ground level, AND at least a 30% cover of plant species listed in Table 4? ☐ Yes = Is a Category I bog ☐ No - Go to SC 3.4 NOTE: If you are uncertain about the extent of mosses in the understory, you may substitute that criterion by measuring the pH of the water that seeps into a hole dug at least 16 in deep. If the pH is less than 5.0 and the plant species in Table 4 are present, the wetland is a bog. SC 3.4. Is an area with peats or mucks forested (> 30% cover) with Sitka spruce, subalpine fir, western red cedar, western hemlock, lodgepole pine, quaking aspen, Engelmann spruce, or western white pine, AND any of the species (or combination of species) listed in Table 4 provide more than 30% of the cover under the canopy? ☐ Yes = Is a Category I bog ☐ No = Is not a bog	

SC 4.0. Forested Wetlands Does the wetland have at least <u>1 contiguous acre</u> of forest that meets one of these criteria for the WA Department of Fish and Wildlife's forests as priority habitats? <i>If you answer YES you will still need to rate the wetland based on its functions.</i> ☐ Old-growth forests (west of Cascade crest): Stands of at least two tree species, forming a multi-layered canopy with occasional small openings; with at least 8 trees/ac (20 trees/ha) that are at least 200 years of age OR have a diameter at breast height (dbh) of 32 in (81 cm) or more. ☐ Mature forests (west of the Cascade Crest): Stands where the largest trees are 80-200 years old OR the species that make up the canopy have an average diameter (dbh) exceeding 21 in (53 cm). ☐ Yes = Category I ☒ No = Not a forested wetland for this section	
SC 5.0. Wetlands in Coastal Lagoons Does the wetland meet all of the following criteria of a wetland in a coastal lagoon? ☐ The wetland lies in a depression adjacent to marine waters that is wholly or partially separated from marine waters by sandbanks, gravel banks, shingle, or, less frequently, rocks ☐ The lagoon in which the wetland is located contains ponded water that is saline or brackish (> 0.5 ppt) during most of the year in at least a portion of the lagoon (<i>needs to be measured near the bottom</i>) ☐ Yes - Go to SC 5.1 ☒ No = Not a wetland in a coastal lagoon SC 5.1. Does the wetland meet all of the following three conditions? ☐ The wetland is relatively undisturbed (has no diking, ditching, filling, cultivation, grazing), and has less than 20% cover of aggressive, opportunistic plant species (see list of species on p. 100). ☐ At least ¾ of the landward edge of the wetland has a 100 ft buffer of shrub, forest, or ungrazed or un-mowed grassland. ☐ The wetland is larger than 1/10 ac (4350 ft²) ☐ Yes = Category I ☐ No = Category II	
SC 6.0. Interdunal Wetlands Is the wetland west of the 1889 line (also called the Western Boundary of Upland Ownership or WBUO)? <i>If you answer yes you will still need to rate the wetland based on its habitat functions.</i> In practical terms that means the following geographic areas: ☐ Long Beach Peninsula: Lands west of SR 103 ☐ Grayland-Westport: Lands west of SR 105 ☐ Ocean Shores-Copalis: Lands west of SR 115 and SR 109 ☐ Yes - Go to SC 6.1 ☒ No = Not an interdunal wetland for rating SC 6.1. Is the wetland 1 ac or larger and scores an 8 or 9 for the habitat functions on the form (rates H,H,H or H,H,M for the three aspects of function)? ☐ Yes = Category I ☐ No - Go to SC 6.2 SC 6.2. Is the wetland 1 ac or larger, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is 1 ac or larger? ☐ Yes = Category II ☐ No - Go to SC 6.3 SC 6.3. Is the unit between 0.1 and 1 ac, or is it in a mosaic of wetlands that is between 0.1 and 1 ac? ☐ Yes = Category III ☐ No = Category IV	
Category of wetland based on Special Characteristics If you answered No for all types, enter "Not Applicable" on Summary Form	

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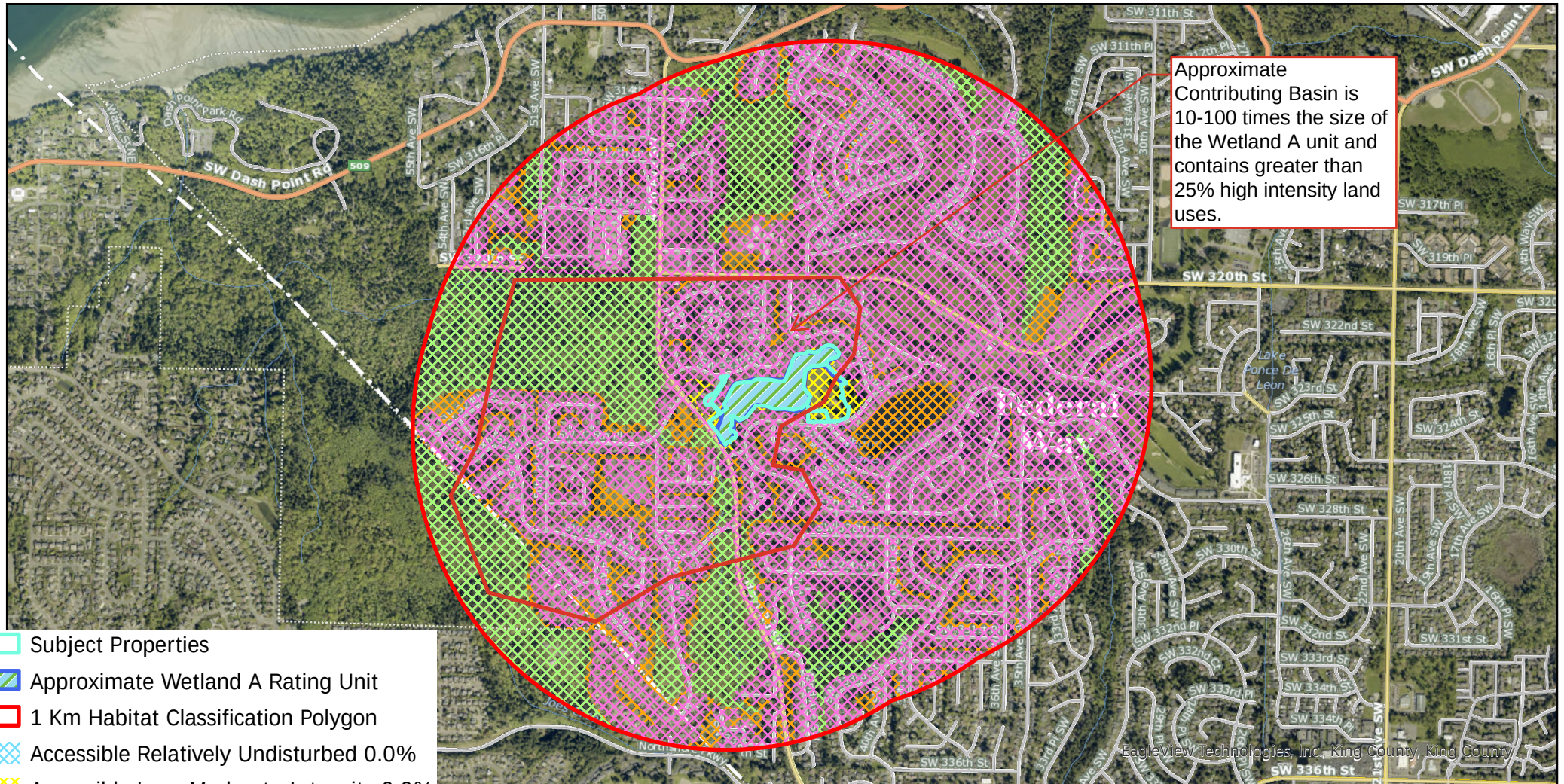


Figure B

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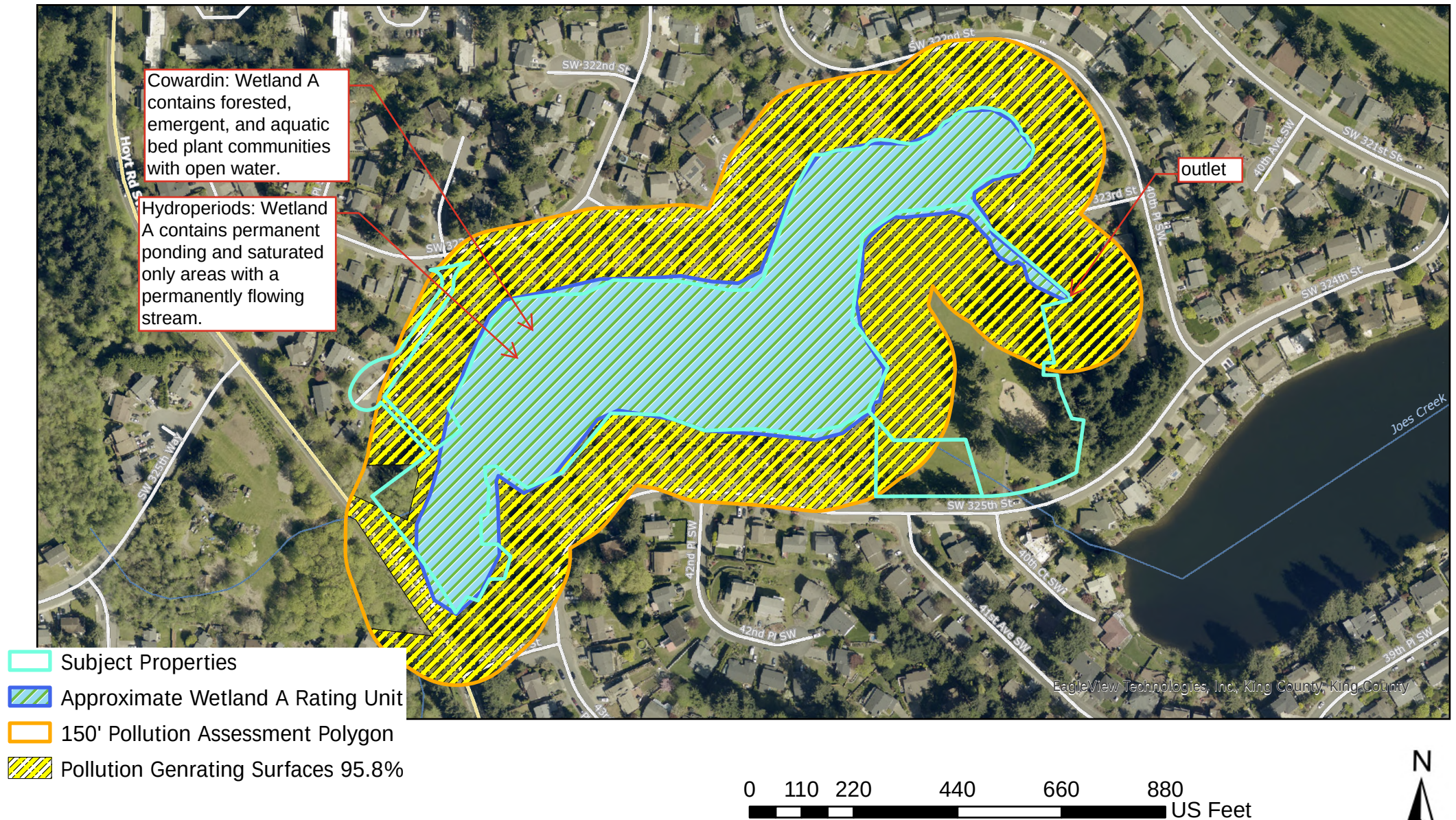
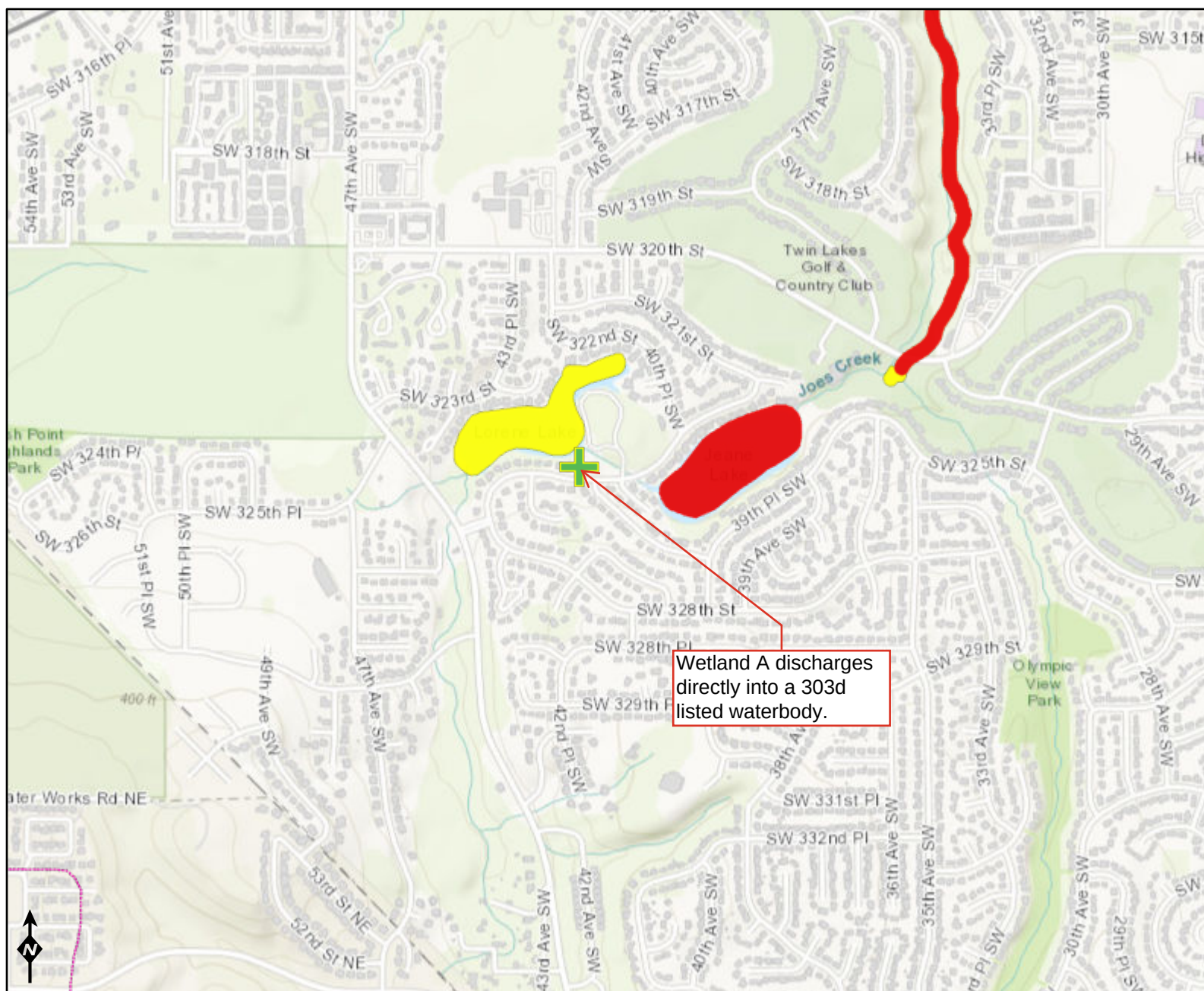


Figure C

**Assessed Water/Sediment****Water**

- Category 5 - 303d
- Category 4C
- Category 4B
- Category 4A
- Category 2
- Category 1

Sediment

- Category 5 - 303d
- Category 4C
- Category 4B
- Category 4A
- Category 2
- Category 1

Subbasins (12 digit HUCs)

- HUC boundary

Wetland A discharges
directly into a 303d
listed waterbody.

Figure D

