

WETLAND MITIGATION SITE MONITORING REPORT MORRIS WETLAND BANK (2009)

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Introduction

This report details the sixth year of monitoring of the Morris Wetland Bank in Grundy County, Illinois. The Morris Wetland Bank is located near Morris, Illinois and is immediately east of IL Route 47 and south of the Illinois River (Appendix 1). More information about the site can be found in the Wetland Bank Prospectus: Morris Site prepared by IDOT (Brooks 2000).

As of 17 May 2004, a total of 7630 trees had been planted on 109 acres of ground slated for wetland restoration at the Morris Wetland Bank in Grundy County, Illinois (IDOT Memo from Michael L. Hine dated 21 May 2004). These trees were planted in 11 different planned wetlands (labeled A through K in Appendix 2). The first year of monitoring was conducted on 27-28 July and 20 September 2004. INHS personnel counted all live-planted trees and performed wetland determinations at each site. Since this time, the site has been monitored on the following dates: 5-6 July and 27 September 2005, 26-27 July 2006, 27-28 September and 4-5 October 2007, 15-16 October 2009. The sixth year of monitoring was conducted on 4 August and 13-14 October 2009.

The following sources were examined while surveying the project area to determine wetland locations and boundaries: United States Geological Survey topographic maps and National Wetland Inventory (NWI) maps (Morris 7.5 minute quadrangle); *Soil Survey of Grundy County, Illinois*; aerial photographs; *National List of Plant Species that Occur in Wetlands: Illinois*; and the 1987 *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual*. These materials were used during an onsite evaluation of vegetation, soils, and hydrology. Results of these determinations are described in detail on the forms in Appendix 3. The boundaries of the sites determined to be wetlands were recorded using a Trimble Global Positioning System. The locations of wetland sites were overlaid on digital orthoquads (DOQs) using Arcview. A printout of this is included in Appendix 2.

This report discusses the goals, objectives, and performance criteria for the wetland bank, the methods used for monitoring the site, monitoring results, and a discussion and recommendations based on the results. Methods and results are discussed by performance criteria for each goal.

Goals, Objectives, and Performance Standards

Goals, objectives, and performance standards follow those specified in the Wetland Bank Prospectus (Brooks 2000) developed for this site. Performance criteria are based on those specified in the *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory 1987) and in *Guidelines for Developing Mitigation Proposals* (USACE 1993). Each goal should be attained by the end of the 5-year monitoring period. Goals, objectives, and performance criteria are listed below.

Project goal: The goal of this wetland restoration project is to create one continuous tract of floodplain forest within the Morris Mitigation Bank. To this effect, 109 acres of wetland restoration area have been planted with native trees and shrubs in 11 different planned wetlands (A-K). Objectives and performance criteria for these planned wetlands follow.

Objective 1: Each planned wetland should be jurisdictional wetland as defined by current federal standards.

Performance criteria:

- a. Predominance of hydrophytic vegetation: More than 50% of the dominant plant species must be hydrophytic.
- b. Presence of wetland hydrology: The area must be either permanently or periodically inundated at average depths less than 2 m (6.6 ft) or have soils that are saturated to the surface for at least 5% of the growing season.
- c. Occurrence of hydric soils: Hydric soil characteristics should be present, or conditions favorable for hydric soil formation should persist at the site.

Objective 2: Each planned wetland should meet standards for floristic composition and vegetation cover.

Performance criteria:

- a. Establishment of planted trees and shrubs: At least 80% of the planted trees and shrubs should be established and living.
- b. Native species composition: At least 90% of the plants present should be non-weedy, native species.
- c. Dominance of vegetation: None of the three most dominant plant species in any layer at any site should be non-native or weedy species, such as cattails (*Typha* spp.), sandbar willow (*Salix exigua*), or reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*).

Methods

Objective 1

a. Predominance of hydrophytic vegetation

The method for determining dominant vegetation at a wetland site is described in the *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory 1987) and further explained in the *Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands* (Federal Interagency Committee for Wetland Delineation 1989). It is based on aerial coverage estimates for individual plant species. Each of the dominant plant species is assigned its wetland indicator status rating (Reed 1988). Any plant rated facultative or wetter, *i.e.*, FAC, FAC+, FACW, and OBL, is considered a hydrophyte. A predominance of vegetation in the wetland plant community exists if more than 50% of the dominant species present are hydrophytic.

b. Presence of wetland hydrology

Wetland hydrology was monitored by personnel from the Illinois State Geological Survey (ISGS). Wetland hydrology occurs when inundation or saturation to land surface is present for greater than 5% of the growing season (9 days at this site), where soils and vegetation parameters in the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual are also met; if either is lacking, then inundation or saturation must be present for greater than 12.5% of the growing season (23 days at this site) to satisfy the wetland hydrology criteria (Environmental Laboratory 1987 [<http://el.erdc.usace.army.mil/wetlands/pdfs/wlman87.pdf>]).

Inundation and saturation at the site were monitored using a combination of 40 monitoring wells and 9 stage gauges. Water levels were measured at least biweekly during April and May, and monthly during the remainder of the year. Manual readings were supplemented by two on-site dataloggers and one off-site stream gauging station. The dataloggers measure surface-water levels at regular intervals to document all hydrologic events. Additional details regarding site conditions and monitoring results for wetland hydrology in 2009 are summarized in ISGS' Annual Report for Active IDOT Wetland Compensation and Hydrologic Monitoring Sites, September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009).

Twenty-five Indicator of Reduction in Soils (IRIS) tubes were also installed in four of the planned wetland areas (B, C-1, H-1 and K-1) (Matthews 2008). These tubes measure reducing conditions in the soil; reduced soil conditions are indicative of hydric soils and wetland hydrology. IRIS tubes were installed on September 26, 2006 and were removed on May 15, 2007.

c. Occurrence of hydric soils

The soil was sampled in order to monitor hydric soil development. Soil profile morphology including horizon color, texture, and structure was described at various points throughout the site. Additionally, the presence, type, size, and abundance of redoximorphic features were noted.

Objective 2

a. Establishment of planted trees and shrubs

In order to help create and restore floodplain forest, trees and shrubs were planted at each planned wetland site. According to a memo from Michael L. Hine (Engineer, IDOT Design and Environment) to John Betker (Project Manager, U.S. Army Corp of Engineers, Rock Island District) dated 21 May 2004, the following numbers of trees and shrubs (Table 1) were planted at the planned wetland sites (A-K) on May 17 2004. In September 2004, 1093 additional trees were planted in order to replace trees that did not survive the initial planting (Matthew Sunderland, IDOT Project Manager, personal communication). Since 2004 additional trees have been planted at the site to replace trees that died during the previous years as indicated by the annual census. In 2005 and 2008, 750 and 580 trees were planted at the site, respectively. In the spring of 2009, 210 trees (70 swamp white oaks, 70 sycamores, and 70 American hazelnuts) were planted at planned wetlands D, E, F, and G. A total of 88 of these died by the fall of 2009, and were replaced with 18 paw paws, 20 indigo bushes, 20 nannyberrys, and 30 buttonbushes. These replacement trees were still being planted at the time of the censusing and so were not included in this year's totals. Survivorship of planted trees is determined each year by censusing. All live-planted trees are counted. Survival is calculated as a percentage of the number of expected live individuals: $(\text{Total number of live-planted trees} / \text{number of known planted trees}) \times 100$.

b. Native species composition

Complete species lists were made for each site in the first three monitoring years; however, due to the continued low quality of the plant communities present, only the sites with wetland area present (A, C, H, and K) had full species lists generated in 2007, 2008, and 2009. These can be found in the wetland delineation forms in Appendix 3. A combined species list for all other sites (B, D, E, F, G, I, and J) can be found in Appendix 5. Non-native species are identified with an asterisk. The percent native species was calculated as the number of native species divided by the total number of species.

c. Dominance of vegetation

Plant species dominance was determined as in Objective 1a. Predominance of hydrophytic vegetation. The method for determining dominant vegetation at a wetland site is described in the *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual* (Environmental Laboratory 1987) and further explained in the *Federal Manual for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands* (Federal Interagency Committee for Wetland Delineation 1989).

In addition, a photograph was taken of each planned wetland site in order to document changes in plant community size and composition (Appendix 6).

Table 1. Number of trees and shrubs by species planted per site at the Morris Wetland Mitigation Bank, May 2004.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	Totals
Pin Oak	22	3	148	4	19	10	7	76	19	9	116	433
Bur Oak	50	6	339	10	39	20	17	180	55	26	258	1000
Butternut	8	2	46	3	6	4	3	30	8	3	43	156
Black Walnut	51	8	339	10	39	20	17	180	55	26	258	1003
Roughleaf Dogwood	3	1	19	1	2	1	1	7	2	1	26	64
American Hazlenut	5	1	36	1	5	1	1	22	7	3	18	100
Nannyberry	15	1	100	1	11	5	5	52	16	7	74	287
Shumards Oak	25	2	170	5	20	10	9	90	29	10	130	500
White Ash	10	1	67	2	7	4	2	38	11	6	52	200
Overcup Oak	10	1	67	2	7	3	3	38	10	5	54	200
Paw Paw	59	6	396	0	45	24	19	210	64	28	304	1155
Sycamore	59	6	396	11	46	26	20	210	64	27	304	1169
Swamp White Oak	58	7	395	11	46	23	19	211	64	27	304	1165
Indigo Bush	2	1	11	1	2	1	1	7	2	1	11	40
Gray Dogwood	8	1	56	1	6	4	2	30	9	4	42	163

Results

Project goal 1

a. Predominance of hydrophytic vegetation

Dominant plant species for the planned wetland sites which met the wetland requirements in 2009 are listed on the wetland forms in Appendix 3. Portions of sites A, C, H, and K had dominant hydrophytic vegetation in 2009. These are labeled A-1, C-1, H-1, and K-1 in the wetland delineation forms (Appendix 3) and on the figure in Appendix 2.

b. Presence of wetland hydrology

The figure in Appendix 4 shows the areal extent of wetland hydrology at the Morris Mitigation Bank in 2009. ISGS personnel (Fucciolo et al. 2009) found that the total area that satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion of the 1987 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual for greater than 5% of the growing season was 14.97 ha (36.98 ac); further, 12.9 ha (32.0 ac) satisfied the hydrology criterion for greater than 12.5% of the growing season. These acreages are for the entire mitigation site. Within the planned wetlands, ISGS found that a total of 6.01 ha (14.85 ac) satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion. This was wholly within Site K. ISGS soil-zone well #51 within Site A also satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion, but the area surrounding the well with wetland hydrology was negligible, so acreage was not calculated. (Keith Carr, ISGS, personal communication). In addition to the areas of wetland hydrology identified by the ISGS, field evidence suggests that two small areas of wetland hydrology are present within the lowest parts of sites C and H. These areas are designated as Site C-1 and Site H-1 on the figure in Appendix 2. C-1 is 0.22 ha (0.55 ac) in size while Site H-1 encompasses 0.27 ha (0.67 ac). Additional details regarding site hydrology in 2009 are summarized in ISGS' Annual Report for Active IDOT Wetland Compensation and Hydrologic Monitoring Sites, September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009).

In 2007, results from IRIS tubes indicated the presence of reduced soil conditions present at sites C-1, H-1, and K-1. These results are indicative of the presence of hydric soils and wetland hydrology.

c. Occurrence of hydric soils

Hydric soils occur over at least a portion of each planned wetland. Many of the 11 sites have very similar hydric soil areas. There are minor differences in horizon thicknesses, and also minor variation in colors of redoximorphic features. Because these differences are minor and do not in any way change the hydric status of these soils, descriptions of typical, representative pedons located in these areas are included in Tables 2 and 3. Table 2 is a soil description of a typical pedon of hydric soil located within sites A and B. Table 3 is a soil description of a typical pedon of hydric soil located within areas C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K.

Table 2. Description of the soils at planned wetlands A and B.

Depth	Matrix Color	Redox Concentrations	Redox Depletions	Texture	Structure
0-15 cm	10YR 2.5/1	None	None	Silt loam	Granular
15-66 cm+	10YR 2.5/1	10YR 4/3	None	Silt loam	Subangular blocky

Table 3. Description of the soils at planned wetlands C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K.

Depth	Matrix Color	Redox Concentrations	Redox Depletions	Texture	Structure
0-33 cm	10YR 3/1	10YR 4/3	None	Silt loam	Granular
33-66+ cm	10YR 3/1	10YR 4/3 (also some 10YR 4/4 in some)	None	Silt loam	Subangular blocky

The hydric soil types present at these sites were in all cases of larger extent than was the area containing hydrophytic vegetation. We did not concern ourselves with mapping the exact extent of hydric soil area, as we were more concerned with determining whether sites were jurisdictional wetlands or not. More extensive soil mapping could be undertaken to map out the exact acreage of hydric soil, but did not seem like a valuable exercise when confronted with the small areas that possessed hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology. In all cases, the areas possessing hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology were underlain by hydric soil. The ISGS data collected over the past nine years makes it clear that the hydrologic regime under which much of the hydric soil at this site developed is no longer present (i.e. the hydric soils are relict features). Presence of hydric soil is not the limiting factor of the jurisdictional status for any of these sites. More information on the soils at sites A, C, H, and K can be found in the wetland delineation forms in Appendix 3.

Jurisdictional Wetland Acreages

The portions of the planned wetland sites that had wetland vegetation, soils, and hydrology in 2009 are referred to as A-1, C-1, H-1, and K-1 on the site map (Appendix 2) and in the wetland delineation forms (Appendix 3). Total wetland acreage within the planned wetlands was 6.50 ha (16.07 ac) for 2009 (Table 4). This was down just slightly from the previous year. The ISGS identified areas within sites A and K that satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion. These areas also had dominant hydrophytic vegetation and hydric soils and are, therefore, wetlands. In addition, two small areas within sites C and H are wetlands, even though they were not identified as such by the ISGS. These areas were without wells, but had dominant hydrophytic vegetation and hydric soils, and occupied low positions in the landscape relative to the surrounding ground.

Table 4. Amount of wetland acreage per site at the Morris Wetland Mitigation Bank.

Site	2004		2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
	Acres	Hectares	Acres	Hectares	Acres	Hectares	Acres	Hectares	Acres	Hectares	Acres	Hectares
A-1	1.39	0.56	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0*	0.0*	0.20	0.08	0.0*	0.0*
C-1	0.82	0.33	0.82	0.33	0.82	0.33	0.82	0.33	0.82	0.33	0.55	0.22
H-1	0.63	0.26	0.63	0.26	0.63	0.26	0.63	0.26	0.63	0.26	0.67	0.27
K-1	4.19	1.70	4.19	1.70	2.57	1.04	16.13	6.53	14.90	6.03	14.85	6.01
Total	7.52	3.05	5.64	2.29	4.02	1.63	17.58	7.12	16.55	6.70	16.07	6.50

*In 2007 and 2009, ISGS soil-zone well #51 within Site A-1 satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion, but the area surrounding the well with wetland hydrology was negligible, so acreage was not calculated.

Project goal 2

a. Establishment of planted trees and shrubs

Table 5 shows the results of the censusing of trees at sites A-K in 2009. Table 6 shows the percent survival. Overall, tree survival was 63.3%, down by just 0.1% from the 63.4% reported from 2008 (Feist et al. 2008), but was down significantly from the 73.7% reported from 2007 (Wilm et al. 2007) and the 84.5% reported from 2006 (Feist et al. 2006). This figure is also well below the required 80% survival rate for tree and shrub species. Percent survival by site and by species is shown in bold in Table 6. Tree survival was less than 80% at eight sites (D, E, F, G, H, I, J, and K). Ten tree or shrub species had less than 80% survival. Because young oaks and dogwoods can be difficult to identify, oaks and dogwoods were grouped for the survivorship calculation in Table 7. When grouped, the dogwoods combined showed a survivorship of 69.2% and the oaks combined showed a survivorship of 78.1%. Other species with less than 80% survival were butternut, black walnut, hazelnut, nannyberry, white ash, paw paw, and sycamore.

Although no pecan trees (*Carya illinoensis*) were reported to be planted at the site, 177 young planted pecan trees were counted at the site; up from the 144 counted in 2008 (Feist et al. 2008), but down from the 218 counted in 2007 (Wilm et al. 2007). These trees are included in our totals.

b. Native species composition

Percent native species have been calculated from the species lists on the wetland delineation forms in Appendix 3 and from the comprehensive species list of non-wetland areas in Appendix 5. These percentages are given in Table 8 below along with results from 2007 and 2008; results from 2004-2006 are shown in Table 9. None of the planned wetland areas met the performance criterion requirement of 90% native species. All values were substantially lower than this. For the first time since monitoring of the site began however, mowing in the planned wetland areas has been substantially decreased. If this continues for several years, the number of non-weedy and exotic species at the site may decrease as perennial, native, non-weedy species become established.

c. Dominance of vegetation

The three most dominant species for each site are listed in Table 10. Non-native species are in bold type and are marked with an asterisk (*); native but weedy species are in bold type. Dominant vegetation for sites A, C, H, and K is also listed on the wetland forms in Appendix 3. These were the only sites that had hydrophytic vegetation dominant over at least a part of the site. There were no sites that did not have non-native or weedy species among the three most dominant species (Table 10). Therefore none of the sites meet this performance criterion. Also, reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*) a highly invasive non-native species is among the three most dominant species at four sites (C, D, H, and J). It is especially prevalent at site H where it appears to increase significantly each year. On a positive note, there were no sites dominated by *Cirsium arvense* (Canada thistle) in 2008 or 2009. In 2007, four sites had been dominated by this noxious weed.

Photographs of sites A-K are included in Appendix 6 of this report.

Table 5. Number of live trees counted by INHS personnel at sites A-K at the Morris Wetland Mitigation Bank in 2009.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	Totals
Pin Oak	6	3	184	2	8	2	3	13	4	1	36	262
Bur Oak	57	21	529	3	23	7	7	144	72	21	78	962
Butternut	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	13	20
Black Walnut	10	2	108	0	0	1	6	16	23	16	49	231
Roughleaf Dogwood	11	3	44	2	2	1	6	20	6	0	11	106
American Hazlenut	2	0	4	1	1	0	2	5	0	0	1	16
Nannyberry	19	0	36	0	1	0	0	29	4	6	23	118
Shumards Oak	8	0	33	1	2	0	0	1	7	1	2	55
White Ash	13	0	33	2	1	3	3	11	5	1	46	118
Overcup Oak	17	1	25	0	3	1	3	5	3	1	248	307
Paw Paw	18	0	90	0	27	2	10	130	58	13	79	427
Sycamore	43	11	376	10	50	28	31	201	65	14	36	865
Swamp White Oak	77	6	456	8	32	25	13	48	12	9	303	989
Indigo Bush	8	3	59	2	2	0	2	5	7	4	38	130
Gray Dogwood	13	1	12	0	1	0	0	10	4	0	10	51
Pecan	12	2	104	3	0	1	9	1	2	0	43	177
Totals	317	53	2093	34	154	71	95	639	275	87	1016	4834

Table 6. Percent survival at sites A-K at the Morris Wetland Bank in 2009.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	Totals
Pin Oak	27.3	100.0	124.3	50.0	42.1	20.0	42.9	17.1	21.1	11.1	31.0	60.5
Bur Oak	114.0	350.0	156.0	30.0	59.0	35.0	41.2	80.0	130.9	80.8	30.2	96.2
Butternut	37.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.5	0.0	30.2	12.8
Black Walnut	19.6	25.0	31.9	0.0	0.0	5.0	35.3	8.9	41.8	61.5	19.0	23.0
Roughleaf Dogwood	366.7	300.0	231.6	200.0	100.0	100.0	600.0	285.7	300.0	0.0	42.3	165.6
American Hazlenut	40.0	0.0	11.1	100.0	20.0	0.0	200.0	22.7	0.0	0.0	5.6	16.0
Nannyberry	126.7	0.0	36.0	0.0	9.1	0.0	0.0	55.8	25.0	85.7	31.1	41.1
Shumards Oak	32.0	0.0	19.4	20.0	10.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	24.1	10.0	1.5	11.0
White Ash	130.0	0.0	49.3	100.0	14.3	75.0	150.0	28.9	45.5	16.7	88.5	59.0
Overcup Oak	170.0	100.0	37.3	0.0	42.9	33.3	100.0	13.2	30.0	20.0	459.3	153.5
Paw Paw	30.5	0.0	22.7	NA	60.0	8.3	52.6	61.9	90.6	46.4	26.0	37.0
Sycamore	72.9	183.3	94.9	90.9	108.7	107.7	155.0	95.7	101.6	51.9	11.8	74.0
Swamp White Oak	132.8	85.7	115.4	72.7	69.6	108.7	68.4	22.7	18.8	33.3	99.7	84.9
Indigo Bush	400.0	300.0	536.4	200.0	100.0	0.0	200.0	71.4	350.0	400.0	345.5	325.0
Gray Dogwood	162.5	100.0	21.4	0.0	16.7	0.0	0.0	33.3	44.4	0.0	23.8	31.3
Pecan	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Totals	82.3	112.8	81.0	54.0	51.3	45.5	75.4	46.3	66.3	47.5	51.0	63.3

Table 7. Percent survival of oaks and dogwoods at the Morris Wetland Bank in 2009.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	Totals
Oaks combined	100.0	163.2	109.7	43.8	51.9	53.0	47.3	35.5	55.4	42.9	77.4	78.1
Dogwoods combined	218.2	200.0	74.7	100.0	37.5	20.0	200.0	81.1	90.9	0.0	30.9	69.2

Table 8. Percent native species at the Morris Wetland Bank, 2007-2009.

Sites	A	C	H	K	B, D, E, F, G, I, J, K Combined
Percent native species 2007	NA	58.5	55.8	62.2	58.6
Percent native species 2008	64.1	61.5	58.8	64.6	60.0
Percent native species 2009	64.6	61.5	59.0	68.6	60.5

Table 9. Percent native species at the Morris Wetland Bank, 2004-2006.

Site	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
Percent native species 2004	70.2	70.0	69.0	61.8	70.9	76.7	63.6	60.6	63.5	65.4	65.5
Percent native species 2005	69.3	53.1	55.4	55.2	52.2	54.6	48.3	62.5	59.6	58.6	62.8
Percent native species 2006	61.5	50.0	60.2	53.5	60.7	54.2	49.3	58.6	55.0	58.0	64.3

Table 10. Three most dominant species by layer in order of dominance at sites A-K at the Morris Wetland Mitigation Bank in 2009.

Site	Three most dominant species
A-1	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>* , <i>Aster simplex</i>
A-2	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>* , <i>Setaria faberi</i>*
B	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria faberi</i>* , <i>Aster pilosus</i>
C-1	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>* , <i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Aster simplex</i>
C-2	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Poa pratensis</i>* , <i>Setaria glauca</i>*
D	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>* , <i>Setaria glauca</i>*
E	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>* , <i>Urtica dioica</i>
F	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>* , <i>Aster simplex</i>
G	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Poa pratensis</i>* , <i>Bromus japonicus</i>*
H-1	<i>Populus deltoides</i> (sh), <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>* , <i>Elymus virginicus</i>
H-2	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>* , <i>Poa pratensis</i>*
I	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Aster pilosus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>*
J	<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>* , <i>Poa pratensis</i>* , <i>Bromus japonicus</i>*
K-1	<i>Echinochloa muricata</i> , <i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>*
K-2	<i>Elymus virginicus</i> , <i>Setaria glauca</i>* , <i>Poa pratensis</i>*

Discussion

Wetland delineation forms for sites A, C, H, and K are included in Appendix 3. Only sites A-1, C-1, H-1, and K-1 met the three criteria for a wetland in 2009. Out of the 33.22 ha (109.0 acres) of planned wetland at the Morris Mitigation Bank, only 6.50 ha (16.07 acres) presently qualify as jurisdictional wetland. This is down slightly from 2008 with 6.70 ha (16.55 acres), but up from some previous years (Table 4). Hydrology at this site has been monitored by the ISGS for ten years now; therefore it seems unlikely that the amount of jurisdictional wetland at the site will increase substantially in the near future without significant alterations to hydrology.

Tree survival at all sites combined was 63.3% of the original 7635 planted trees (Table 6). This was down by just 0.1% from the 63.4% reported from 2008 (Feist et al. 2008), but was down significantly from the 73.7% reported from 2007 (Wilm et al. 2007). This figure is also well below the required 80% survival rate. Therefore, it is recommended that additional replacement trees be planted at the site if the 80% tree survival rate is to be met. During the tree censusing it was noted that a significant number of the wire beaver guards surrounding the trees had been removed and replaced with biodegradable plastic guards. In past years bent or leaning wire beaver guards had been a serious impediment to the growth and survival of some young trees. Trees with the plastic guards seem to be suffering no ill effects. It is recommended that the removal and replacement of the beaver guards be continued throughout the site. Also, of note was damage to trees from deer browsing. Many trees, in particular the dogwoods, were significantly browsed.

Planned wetland sites do not meet the requirement of 90% native species (Table 8). All sites are well below the requirement and have been for all monitoring years (Table 8, Table 9). Extensive mowing of the site has delayed the establishment of perennial native non-weedy species at the site. Now that mowing has been decreased at the site, more perennial native non-weedy species should become established at the site, but this could take several years.

There were no sites that did not have non-native or weedy species among the three most dominant species (Table 10). In addition, reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), an aggressive, invasive exotic, is dominant in four of the planned wetlands. This is up from two sites in 2007 (Wilm et al. 2007) and three sites in 2008 (Feist et al. 2008). If left unchecked, reed canary grass can rapidly spread, excluding other species to the point of forming a virtual monoculture. Its control should be addressed.

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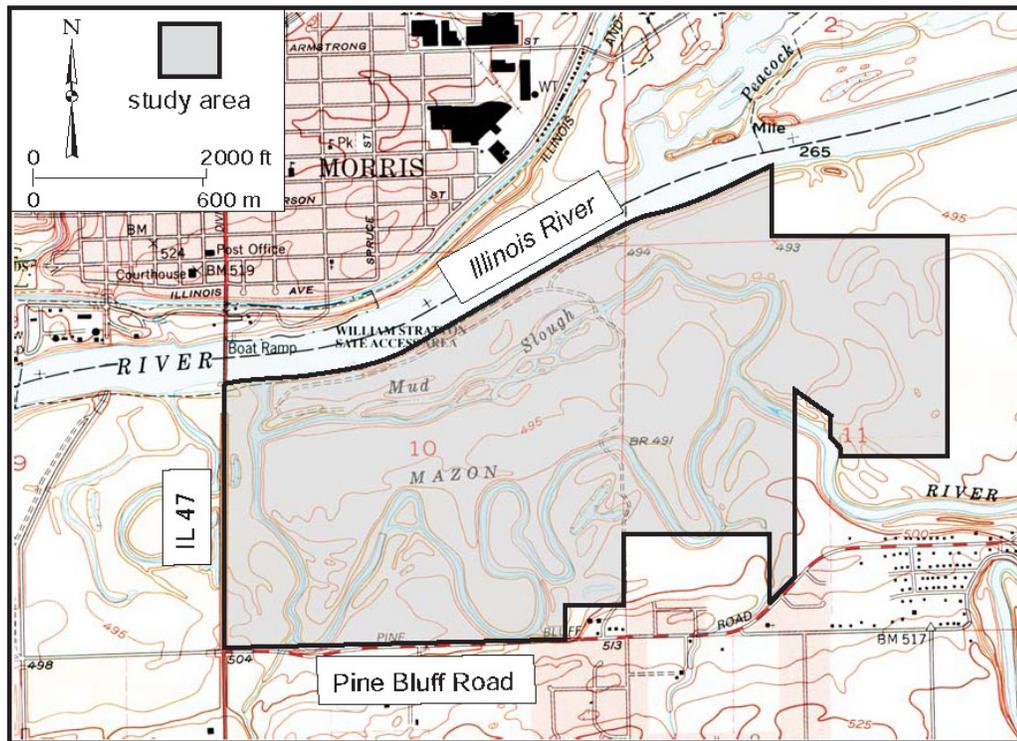
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APPENDIX 1

Location of the Morris Mitigation Bank

Morris, Illinois River Wetland Bank Site General Study Area and Vicinity

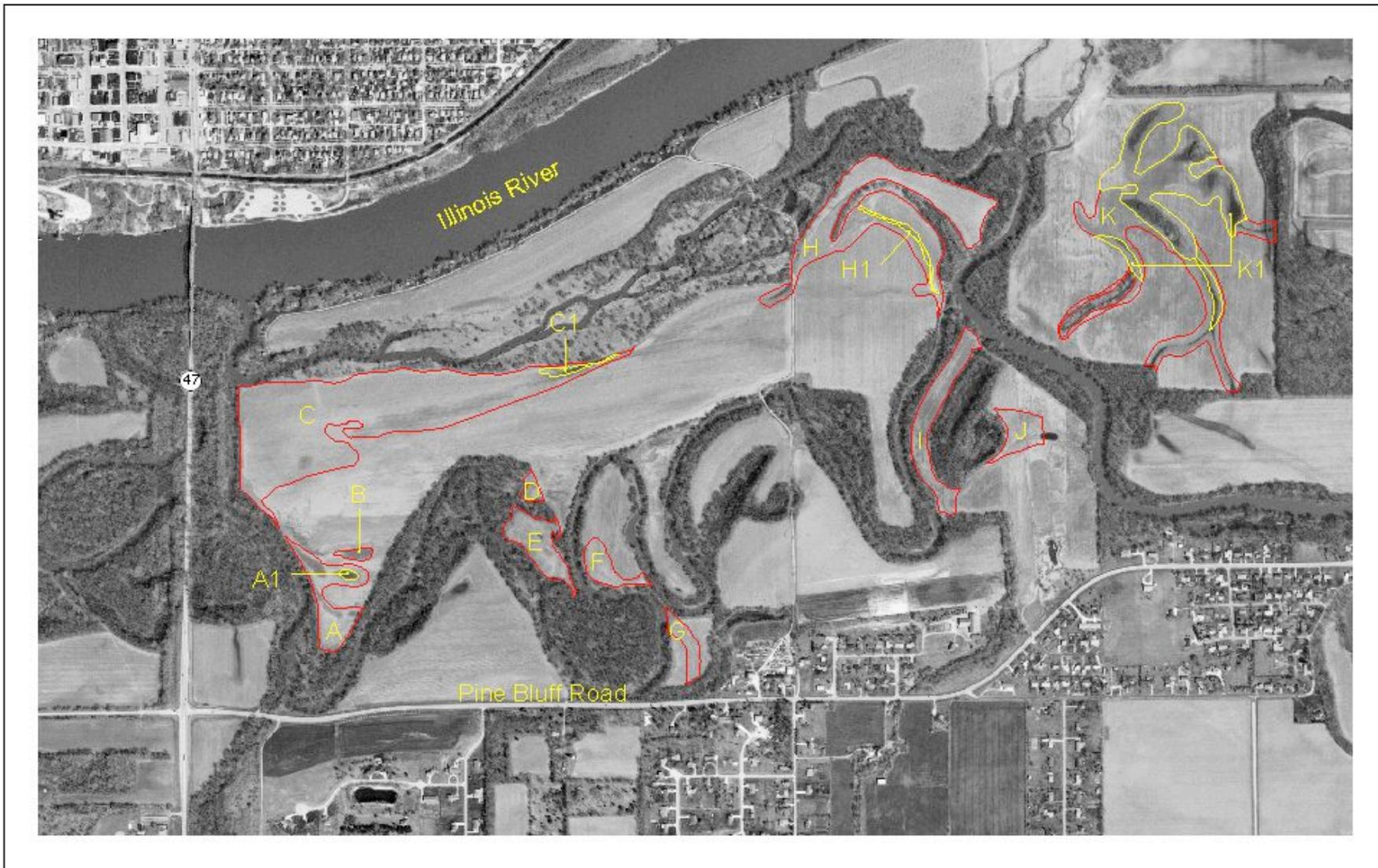
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contour interval is 5 feet



APPENDIX 2

Locations of Planned Wetlands

Morris Mitigation Bank Site Grundy County, 2009



- Wetland sites in 2009
- Wetland restoration site

0 1200 Feet



0 500 Meters



scale 1:14400

1 inch=1200 ft



APPENDIX 3

Wetland Determination Forms

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site A (page 1 of 4)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is approximately 335 m (1100 ft) east of Illinois 47 and just north of the Mazon River.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: X No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No: X

VEGETATION (A-1)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster simplex</i>	FACW	herb
2. <i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	OBL	herb
3. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
4. <i>Rumex crispus</i>	FAC+	herb
5. <i>Setaria faberi</i>	FACU+	herb
6. <i>Setaria glauca</i>	FAC	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 83.3%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: X No:

Rationale: More than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (A-1)

Series and phase: Sawmill silty clay loam (Cumulic Endoaquoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: X No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No: X

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No: X

Redox Concentrations? Yes: X No: Color: 10YR 4/3

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: X Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 2.5/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: X No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Sawmill as a Cumulic Endoaquoll which is poorly drained. The presence of redox concentrations within a low chroma matrix indicates conditions of saturation for long duration during the growing season. Therefore, the soil at this site meets the hydric soil criteria. This soil meets NRCS hydric soil indicator F6 – Redox dark surface.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site A (page 2 of 4)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is approximately 335 m (1100 ft) east of Illinois 47 and just north of the Mazon River.

HYDROLOGY (A-1)

Inundated: Yes: No: X Depth of standing water: NA

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: This site occupies a small depression within the landscape. It receives water via precipitation and runoff from surrounding higher ground and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration and soil infiltration.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: Surface cracks. This site is lower in elevation than surrounding ground.

Wetland hydrology: Yes: X No:

Rationale: In addition to the field evidence cited above, ISGS soil-zone well #51, which is located within this site, satisfied the wetland hydrology criterion (Fucciolo et al. 2009).

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (A-1)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: X No:

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are present throughout this site. Therefore, we determined that this site is a wetland. The NWI did not identify this site as a wetland.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site A (page 3 of 4)

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State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is approximately 335 m (1100 ft) east of Illinois 47 and just north of the Mazon River.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (A-2)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster simplex</i>	FACW	herb
2. <i>Aster pilosus</i>	FACU+	herb
3. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
4. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	FAC-	herb
5. <i>Setaria faberi</i>	FACU+	herb
6. <i>Setaria glauca</i>	FAC	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 50%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: Not more than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (A-2)

Series and phase: Lawson silt loam (Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Lawson as an Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll which is somewhat poorly drained. This soil does not possess any redoximorphic features. Therefore, the soil at this site does not meet the hydric soil criteria. This soil does not meet any of the NRCS hydric soil indicators.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site A (page 4 of 4)

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State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is approximately 335 m (1100 ft) east of Illinois 47 and just north of the Mazon River.

HYDROLOGY (A-2)

Inundated: Yes: No: X Depth of standing water: NA

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: It receives water via precipitation and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: None.

Wetland hydrology: Yes: No: X

Rationale: No evidence of wetland hydrology was found at this site. The ISGS reported that the wetland hydrology criterion had not been met for this site in 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009).

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (A-2)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: No: X

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are all absent; therefore, this site is not a wetland. The NWI coded this entire site as upland (U).

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvet-leaf	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Acer negundo</i>	box elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	1
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	silver maple	shrub, herb	FACW	1
<i>Agrostis alba</i>	redtop	herb	FACW	0
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	tall waterhemp	herb	OBL	1
<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	giant ragweed	herb	FAC+	0
<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>	dogbane	herb	FAC	2
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	common milkweed	herb	UPL	0
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	hairy aster	herb	FACU+	0
<i>Aster simplex</i>	panicled aster	herb	FACW	3
<i>Bidens frondosa</i>	common beggar-ticks	herb	FACW	1
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	smooth brome	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus japonicus</i>	Japanese brome	herb	FACU	*
<i>Chaerophyllum procumbens</i>	wild chervil	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle	herb	FACU	*
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	horseweed	herb	FAC-	0
<i>Cynanchum laeve</i>	blue vine	vine	FAC	1
<i>Cyperus strigosus</i>	straw colored flatsedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	orchard grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Queen-Anne's-lace	herb	UPL	*
<i>Digitaria ischaemum</i>	smooth crab grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	barnyard grass	herb	OBL	0
<i>Elymus virginicus</i>	Virginia wild rye	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	daisy fleabane	herb	FAC-	2
<i>Festuca pratensis</i>	meadow fescue	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Geum canadense</i>	white avens	herb	FAC	2
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	squirrel-tail	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Ipomoea lacunosa</i>	small white morning-glory	herb	FACW	1
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	black walnut	herb	FACU	4
<i>Lycopus americanus</i>	common water horehound	herb	OBL	3
<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	willow lettuce	herb	FACU	*
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	prickly lettuce	herb	FAC	*

Species list continued on next page.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

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Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is approximately 335 m (1100 ft) east of Illinois 47 and just north of the Mazon River.

SPECIES LIST *continued*

Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>	common pepper-cress	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	moneywort	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Morus alba</i>	white mulberry	herb	FAC	*
<i>Oxalis dillenii</i>	yellow wood sorrel	herb	FACU	0
<i>Panicum dichotomiflorum</i>	fall panicum	herb	FACW-	0
<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>	Virginia creeper	woody vine	FAC-	2
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canary grass	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	fog-fruit	herb	OBL	1
<i>Physalis subglabrata</i>	smooth ground cherry	herb	UPL	0
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	red-stalked plantain	herb	FAC	0
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	knotweed	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum lapathifolium</i>	curttop lady's thumb	herb	FACW+	0
<i>Polygonum pensylvanicum</i>	giant smartweed	herb	FACW+	1
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	eastern cottonwood	shrub, herb	FAC+	2
<i>Potentilla simplex</i>	common cinquefoil	herb	FACU-	3
<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	swamp white oak	herb	FACW+	7
<i>Rorippa islandica</i>	marsh yellow cress	herb	OBL	4
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cut-leaf coneflower	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Rumex altissimus</i>	pale dock	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Setaria faberi</i>	giant foxtail	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Setaria glauca</i>	pigeon grass	herb	FAC	*
<i>Sida spinosa</i>	prickly sida	herb	FACU	*
<i>Smilax hispida</i>	bristly greenbrier	herb	FAC	3
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod	herb	FACU	1
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	dandelion	herb	FACU	*
<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	poison ivy	woody vine	FAC+	1
<i>Ulmus americana</i>	American elm	herb	FACW-	5
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm	herb	UPL	*
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	stinging nettle	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Vitis riparia</i>	riverbank grape	woody vine	FACW-	2

†Coefficient of Conservatism (Taft et al. 1997)

*Non-native species

Percent native species = (42/65) * 100 = 64.6%

$\bar{C} = \sum C/N = 66/42 = 1.6$

FQI = $\bar{C}/\sqrt{N} = 66/\sqrt{42} = 10.2$

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

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Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: S/2, SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

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ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site C (page 1 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (C-1)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster simplex</i>	FACW	herb
2. <i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	OBL	herb
3. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
4. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	FACW+	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 100%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: More than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (C-1)

Series and phase: Sawmill silty clay loam (Cumulic Endoaquoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: 10YR 4/3

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Sawmill as a Cumulic Endoaquoll which is poorly drained. The presence of redox concentrations within a low chroma matrix indicates conditions of saturation for long duration during the growing season. Therefore, the soil at this site meets the hydric soil criteria. This soil meets NRCS hydric soil indicator F6 – Redox dark surface.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site C (page 2 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.

HYDROLOGY (C-1)

Inundated: Yes: X No: Depth of standing water: NA

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: This site occupies a narrow depression within the landscape. It receives water via precipitation and runoff from surrounding higher ground and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration and soil infiltration.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: This site is lower in elevation than surrounding ground. Surface scouring and surface cracks were also observed.

Wetland hydrology: Yes: X No:

Rationale: Although, the ISGS did not report that the wetland hydrology criterion had been met for this site in 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009), field indicators and evidence cited above indicate that wetland hydrology is present.

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (C-1)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: X No:

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are all present; therefore, this site is a wetland. The NWI did not identify this site as a wetland.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site C (page 3 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

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Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: X No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No: X

VEGETATION (C-2)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster pilosus</i>	FACU+	herb
2. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
3. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	FAC-	herb
4. <i>Setaria glauca</i>	FAC	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 50%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No: X

Rationale: Not more than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (C-2)

Series and phase: Lawson silt loam (Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No: X

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No: X

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No: X

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: X Color: N/A

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: X Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No: X

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Lawson as an Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll which is somewhat poorly drained. This soil does not possess any redoximorphic features. Therefore, the soil at this site does not meet the hydric soil criteria. This soil does not meet any of the NRCS hydric soil indicators.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site C (page 4 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.

HYDROLOGY (C-2)

Inundated: Yes: No: X Depth of standing water: NA

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: It receives water via precipitation and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: None

Wetland hydrology: Yes: No: X

Rationale: There is no field evidence to indicate that this site is inundated or saturated for a sufficient duration to satisfy the wetland hydrology criterion. Also, the ISGS reported that the wetland hydrology criterion had not been met for this site in 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009).

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (C-2)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: No: X

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are not present; therefore, this site is not a wetland. The NWI did not identify this site as a wetland.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site C (page 5 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009**Project Name:** Morris Wetland Bank**Job No.:** P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306**State:** Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3**Site Name:** Planned wetland**Legal Description:** SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.**Location:** This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.**SPECIES LIST**

Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvet-leaf	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Acer negundo</i>	box elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	1
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	silver maple	herb	FACW	1
<i>Agropyron repens</i>	quack grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Agrostis alba</i>	red top	herb	FACW	0
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	tall waterhemp	herb	OBL	1
<i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>	common ragweed	herb	FACU	0
<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	giant ragweed	herb	FAC+	0
<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>	dogbane	herb	FAC	2
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	common milkweed	herb	UPL	0
<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	horsetail milkweed	herb	UPL	1
<i>Aster ontarionis</i>	Ontario aster	herb	FAC	4
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	hairy aster	herb	FACU+	0
<i>Aster simplex</i>	panicled aster	herb	FACW	3
<i>Bidens frondosa</i>	common beggar's ticks	herb	FACW	1
<i>Brassica kaber</i>	charlock	herb	UPL	0
<i>Bromus commutatus</i>	hairy brome	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	awnless brome grass	herb	UPL	*
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	musk bristle thistle	herb	UPL	*
<i>Campsis radicans</i>	trumpet creeper	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Carex normalis</i>	sedge	herb	FACW	4
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>	fox sedge	herb	OBL	3
<i>Carya cordiformis</i>	bitternut hickory	shrub	FAC	4
<i>Cassia marilandica</i>	Maryland senna	herb	FACW	4
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	hackberry	shrub, herb	FAC-	3
<i>Chamaesyce maculata</i>	nodding spurge	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	lamb's quarters	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	chickory	herb	UPL	*
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle	herb	FACU	*

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ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	pasture thistle	herb	UPL	3
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	horseweed	herb	FAC-	0
<i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	yellow nut-sedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Cyperus strigosus</i>	straw-colored flatsedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	orchard grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Queen Anne's lace	herb	UPL	*
<i>Dipsacus sylvestris</i>	common teasel	herb	UPL	*
<i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	barnyard grass	herb	OBL	0
<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Canada wild rye	herb	FAC-	4
<i>Elymus virginicus</i>	Virginia wild rye	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Erigeron annuus</i>	annual fleabane	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	daisy fleabane	herb	FAC-	2
<i>Eupatorium altissimum</i>	tall boneset	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i>	white snakeroot	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium serotinum</i>	late boneset	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Festuca pratensis</i>	meadow fescue	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>	green ash	shrub, herb	FACW	2
<i>Geum canadense</i>	white avens	herb	FAC	2
<i>Geum laciniatum</i>	rough avens	herb	FACW	2
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	honey locust	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Helianthus grosseserratus</i>	sawtooth sunflower	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>	Jerusalem artichoke	herb	FAC	3
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	squirrel-tail	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	black walnut	shrub	FACU	4
<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	willow-leaved lettuce	herb	FACU	*
<i>Leersia virginica</i>	white grass	herb	FACW	4
<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>	common peppergrass	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Lonicera maackii</i>	Amur honeysuckle	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	birdsfoot-trefoil	herb	FAC-	*

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	moneywort	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Malus</i> sp.	crabapple	shrub	----	--
<i>Melilotus alba</i>	white sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	yellow sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Morus alba</i>	white mulberry	shrub, herb	FAC	*
<i>Muhlenbergia frondosa</i>	common satin grass	herb	FACW	3
<i>Oxalis stricta</i>	yellow wood sorrel	herb	FACU	0
<i>Panicum dichotomiflorum</i>	fall panicum	herb	FACW-	0
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canary grass	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	fog-fruit	herb	OBL	1
<i>Physalis subglabrata</i>	smooth ground cherry	herb	UPL	0
<i>Phytolacca americana</i>	pokeweed	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	narrow-leaved plantain	herb	FAC	*
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	red-stalked plantain	herb	FAC	0
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum amphibium</i>	water smartweed	herb	OBL	3
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	knotweed	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum lapathifolium</i>	curttop lady's thumb	herb	FACW+	0
<i>Polygonum pensylvanicum</i>	giant smartweed	herb	FACW+	1
<i>Polygonum persicaria</i>	spotted lady's thumb	herb	FACW	*
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	eastern cottonwood	shrub, herb	FAC+	2
<i>Potentilla norvegica</i>	rough cinquefoil	herb	FAC	0
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	self-heal	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ptelea trifoliata</i>	wafer ash	shrub	FACU+	4
<i>Quercus bicolor</i>	swamp white oak	shrub	FACW+	7
<i>Rorippa islandica</i>	marsh yellow cress	herb	OBL	4
<i>Rorippa sylvestris</i>	creeping yellow cress	herb	OBL	*
<i>Rosa multiflora</i>	multiflora rose	shrub	FACU	*
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cutleaf coneflower	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	brown-eyed Susan	herb	FAC-	3
<i>Rumex altissimus</i>	pale dock	herb	FACW-	2

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Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009**Project Name:** Morris Wetland Bank**Job No.:** P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306**State:** Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3**Site Name:** Planned wetland**Legal Description:** SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.**Location:** This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.**SPECIES LIST**

Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	common elder	shrub	FACW-	2
<i>Setaria faberi</i>	giant foxtail	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Setaria glauca</i>	pigeon grass	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria verticillata</i>	bristly foxtail	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria viridis</i> var. <i>major</i>	tall green foxtail	herb	UPL	*
<i>Sida spinosa</i>	prickly sida	herb	FACU	*
<i>Smilax hispida</i>	bristly greenbrier	vine	FAC	3
<i>Solanum carolinense</i>	horse nettle	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	false bittersweet	herb	FAC	*
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod	herb	FACU	1
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	field sowthistle	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	common dandelion	herb	FACU	*
<i>Teucrium canadense</i>	American germander	herb	FACW-	3
<i>Thlaspi arvense</i>	field penny cress	herb	UPL	*
<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	poison ivy	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	goat's beard	herb	UPL	*
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i>	alsike clover	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	red clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	white clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm	shrub, herb	UPL	*
<i>Ulmus americana</i>	American elm	shrub, herb	FACW-	5
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	stinging nettle	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	woolly mullein	herb	UPL	*
<i>Verbena urticifolia</i>	white vervain	herb	FAC+	3
<i>Verbesina alternifolia</i>	wingstem	herb	FACW	4
<i>Vitis riparia</i>	riverbank grape	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	cocklebur	herb	FAC	0

†Coefficient of Conservatism (Taft et al. 1997)

*Non-native species

Percent native species = (72/117) * 100 = 61.5%

 $\bar{C} = \sum C/N = 134/72 = 1.9$ $FQI = \sum C/\sqrt{N} = 134/\sqrt{72} = 15.8$

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Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: SW/4 Sect. 10, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland stretches from 122 m (400 ft) to 1265 m (4150 ft) east of Illinois 47 and is between 244 m (800 ft) to 1006 m (3300 ft) north of Pine Bluff Rd.

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Site H (page 1 of 9)

Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: NW/4, NW/4 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland occurs in the open area between the gravel road that bisects the project area and the Mazon River, between 1326 m (4350 ft) to 1798 (5900 ft) north of Pine Bluff Road.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (H-1)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Populus deltoides</i>	FAC+	shrub
2. <i>Aster simplex</i>	FACW	herb
3. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
4. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	FACW+	herb
2. <i>Rumex crispus</i>	FAC+	herb
3. <i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	OBL	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 100%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: More than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (H-1)

Series and phase: Sawmill silty clay loam (Cumulic Endoaquoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: 10YR 4/3

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Sawmill as a Cumulic Endoaquoll which is poorly drained. The presence of redox concentrations within a low chroma matrix indicates conditions of saturation for long duration during the growing season. Therefore, the soil at this site meets the hydric soil criteria. This soil meets NRCS hydric soil indicator F6 – Redox dark surface.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

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Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: NW/4, NW/4 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland occurs in the open area between the gravel road that bisects the project area and the Mazon River, between 1326 m (4350 ft) to 1798 (5900 ft) north of Pine Bluff Road.

HYDROLOGY (H-1)

Inundated: Yes: X No: Depth of standing water: NA

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: This site occupies a shallow drainageway. It receives water via precipitation and runoff from surrounding higher ground and overflow from the Mazon River. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration, soil infiltration, and stream flow into the Mazon River.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: Wetland drainage patterns and water-borne sediment deposits were observed.

Wetland hydrology: Yes: X No:

Rationale: Although, the ISGS did not report that the wetland hydrology criterion had been met for this site in 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009), field indicators and evidence cited above indicate that wetland hydrology is present.

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (H-1)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: X No:

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are all present; therefore, this site is a wetland. The NWI did not identify this site as a wetland.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

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Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009

Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

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Location: This planned wetland occurs in the open area between the gravel road that bisects the project area and the Mazon River, between 1326 m (4350 ft) to 1798 (5900 ft) north of Pine Bluff Road.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (H-2)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Bromus japonicus</i>	FACU	herb
2. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
3. <i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	FACW+	herb
4. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	FAC-	herb
5. <i>Rumex crispus</i>	FAC+	herb
6. <i>Solidago canadensis</i>	FACU	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 50%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: Not more than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (H-2)

Series and phase: Lawson silt loam (Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Lawson as an Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll which is somewhat poorly drained. This soil does not possess any redoximorphic features. Therefore, the soil at this site does not meet the hydric soil criteria. This soil does not meet any of the NRCS hydric soil indicators.

ROUTINE ONSITE WETLAND DETERMINATION

Site H (page 5 of 9)

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<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvet-leaf	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Acalypha rhomboidea</i>	three-seeded mercury	herb	FACU	0
<i>Acer negundo</i>	box elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	1
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	silver maple	shrub, herb	FACW	1
<i>Agropyron repens</i>	quack grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Agrostis alba</i>	red top	herb	FACW	0
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	garlic mustard	herb	FAC	*
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	tall waterhemp	herb	OBL	1
<i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>	common ragweed	herb	FACU	0
<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	giant ragweed	herb	FAC+	0
<i>Amorpha fruticosa</i>	false indigo bush	shrub	FACW+	6
<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>	dogbane	herb	FAC	2
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	common milkweed	herb	UPL	0
<i>Asclepias verticillata</i>	horsetail milkweed	herb	UPL	1
<i>Aster ontarionis</i>	Ontario aster	herb	FAC	4
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	hairy aster	herb	FACU+	0
<i>Aster simplex</i>	panicled aster	herb	FACW	3
<i>Atriplex patula</i>	fat-hen saltbush	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Bidens frondosa</i>	common beggar's ticks	herb	FACW	1
<i>Bidens tripartita</i>	beggar's ticks	herb	OBL	2
<i>Brassica kaber</i>	charlock	herb	UPL	0
<i>Bromus commutatus</i>	hairy brome	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	awnless brome grass	herb	UPL	*
<i>Campsis radicans</i>	trumpet creeper	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	shepherd's-purse	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Carex conjuncta</i>	green-headed fox sedge	herb	FACW	5
<i>Carex molesta</i>	sedge	herb	FAC	2
<i>Carex normalis</i>	sedge	herb	FACW	4
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>	fox sedge	herb	OBL	3
<i>Chamaesyce maculata</i>	nodding spurge	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	lamb's quarters	herb	FAC-	*

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	chickory	herb	UPL	*
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle	herb	FACU	*
<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	pasture thistle	herb	UPL	3
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	horseweed	herb	FAC-	0
<i>Cynanchum laeve</i>	blue vine	herb	FAC	1
<i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	yellow nut-sedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Cyperus strigosus</i>	straw colored flatsedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	orchard grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Queen Anne's lace	herb	UPL	*
<i>Desmodium illinoense</i>	Illinois tick trefoil	herb	UPL	5
<i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	barnyard grass	herb	OBL	0
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	autumn olive	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Canada wild rye	herb	FAC-	4
<i>Elymus virginicus</i>	Virginia wild rye	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Erigeron annuus</i>	annual fleabane	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Eupatorium altissimum</i>	tall boneset	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i>	white snakeroot	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium serotinum</i>	late boneset	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Festuca pratensis</i>	meadow fescue	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Geum canadense</i>	white avens	herb	FAC	2
<i>Geum laciniatum</i>	rough avens	herb	FACW	2
<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	ground ivy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	honey locust	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>	Jerusalem artichoke	herb	FAC	3
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	squirrel-tail	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Ipomoea hederacea</i>	ivy-leaved morning glory	vine	FAC	*
<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	willow-leaved lettuce	herb	FACU	*
<i>Laportea canadensis</i>	wood nettle	herb	FACW	2
<i>Leonurus cardiaca</i>	motherwort	herb	UPL	*

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<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>	common peppergrass	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Lycopus americanus</i>	common water horehound	herb	OBL	3
<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	moneywort	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Maclura pomifera</i>	hedge apple	shrub	FACU	*
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	black medic	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	alfalfa	herb	UPL	*
<i>Melilotus alba</i>	white sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	yellow sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Morus alba</i>	white mulberry	shrub, herb	FAC	*
<i>Oxalis stricta</i>	yellow wood sorrel	herb	FACU	0
<i>Panicum dichotomiflorum</i>	fall panicum	herb	FACW-	0
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	prairie switchgrass	herb	FAC+	4
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canary grass	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Timothy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	fog-fruit	herb	OBL	1
<i>Phytolacca americana</i>	pokeweed	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Pilea pumila</i>	Canada clearweed	herb	FACW	3
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	narrow-leaved plantain	herb	FAC	*
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	red-stalked plantain	herb	FAC	0
<i>Poa compressa</i>	Canadian bluegrass	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum amphibium</i>	water smartweed	herb	OBL	3
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	knotweed	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum pensylvanicum</i>	giant smartweed	herb	FACW+	1
<i>Polygonum persicaria</i>	spotted lady's thumb	herb	FACW	*
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	eastern cottonwood	sapling, shrub, herb	FAC+	2
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	self-heal	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ptelea trifoliata</i>	wafer ash	shrub	FACU+	4
<i>Rorippa islandica</i>	marsh yellow cress	herb	OBL	4
<i>Rorippa sylvestris</i>	creeping yellow cress	herb	OBL	*
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cutleaf coneflower	herb	FACW+	3

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Rumex altissimus</i>	pale dock	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Salix exigua</i>	sandbar willow	shrub	OBL	1
<i>Setaria faberi</i>	giant foxtail	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Setaria glauca</i>	pigeon grass	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria verticillata</i>	bristly foxtail	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria viridis</i> var. <i>major</i>	tall green foxtail	herb	UPL	*
<i>Sida spinosa</i>	prickly sida	herb	FACU	*
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	cup plant	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Smilax hispida</i>	bristly greenbrier	vine	FAC	3
<i>Solanum carolinense</i>	horse nettle	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	false bitterweet	herb	FAC	*
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod	herb	FACU	1
<i>Solidago gigantea</i>	late goldenrod	herb	FACW	3
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	field sowthistle	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	common dandelion	herb	FACU	*
<i>Teucrium canadense</i>	American germander	herb	FACW-	3
<i>Thlaspi arvense</i>	field penny cress	herb	UPL	*
<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	poison ivy	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Tridens flavus</i>	common purple top	herb	UPL	1
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i>	alsike clover	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	red clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	white clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	stinging nettle	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Verbascum blattaria</i>	moth mullein	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Verbena urticifolia</i>	white vervain	herb	FAC+	3
<i>Verbesina alternifolia</i>	wingstem	herb	FACW	4
<i>Viola pratincola</i>	common blue violet	herb	FAC	1
<i>Vitis riparia</i>	riverbank grape	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	cocklebur	herb	FAC	0

†Coefficient of Conservatism (Taft et al. 1997)

*Non-native species

Percent native species = (72/122) * 100 = 59.0%

 $\bar{C} = \sum C/N = 132/72 = 1.8$ $FQI = \sum C/\sqrt{N} = 132/\sqrt{72} = 15.6$

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State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

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Project Name: Morris Wetland Bank

Job No.: P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306

State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: N/2 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is located in the large field in the easternmost portion of the project area.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (K-1)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster simplex</i>	FACW	herb
2. <i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	OBL	herb
3. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
4. <i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	OBL	herb
5. <i>Polygonum amphibium</i>	OBL	herb
6. <i>Rumex crispus</i>	FAC+	herb
7. <i>Setaria glauca</i>	FAC	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 100%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: More than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (K-1)

Series and phase: Sawmill silty clay loam (Cumulic Endoaquoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: 10YR 4/3

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Sawmill as a Cumulic Endoaquoll which is poorly drained. The presence of redox concentrations within a low chroma matrix indicates conditions of saturation for long duration during the growing season. Therefore, the soil at this site meets the hydric soil criteria. This soil meets NRCS hydric soil indicator F6 – Redox dark surface.

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State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: N/2 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is located in the large field in the easternmost portion of the project area.

HYDROLOGY (K-1)

Inundated: Yes: X (in part) No: Depth of standing water: up to 0.25 m (10 in)

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: This site consists of two separate low areas within the landscape. Each receives water via precipitation and runoff from surrounding higher ground and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration, soil infiltration, and drainage into the Mazon River.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: This site occupies low positions within the landscape. Water-borne sediment deposits, sparsely vegetated concave surfaces, and surface water were observed.

Wetland hydrology: Yes: X No:

Rationale: Field evidence cited above indicates that wetland hydrology is present. Also, the ISGS reported that the wetland hydrology criterion had been met for this portion of the site in 2009 (Fucciolo et al. 2009). In our opinion, this site is inundated or saturated for a sufficient duration to satisfy the wetland hydrology criterion.

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (K-1)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: X No:

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are present throughout this site; therefore, this site is a wetland.

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State: Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3

Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: N/2 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is located in the large field in the easternmost portion of the project area.

Do normal environmental conditions exist at this site? Yes: No:

Has the vegetation, soils, or hydrology been significantly disturbed? Yes: No:

VEGETATION (K-2)

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator Status	Stratum
1. <i>Aster pilosus</i>	FACU+	herb
2. <i>Elymus virginicus</i>	FACW-	herb
3. <i>Plantago rugelii</i>	FAC	herb
4. <i>Poa pratensis</i>	FAC-	herb
5. <i>Solidago canadensis</i>	FACU	herb

Percentage of dominant species that are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC: 40%

Hydrophytic vegetation: Yes: No:

Rationale: Less than 50% of the dominants are OBL, FACW, FAC+, or FAC.

SOILS (K-2)

Series and phase: Lawson silt loam (Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll)

On county hydric soils list? Yes: No:

Is the soil a histosol? Yes: No:

Histic epipedon present? Yes: No:

Redox Concentrations? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Redox Depletions? Yes: No: Color: N/A

Matrix color: 10YR 3/1

Other indicators: None

Hydric soils? Yes: No:

Rationale: The Natural Resources Conservation Service identifies Lawson as an Aquic Cumulic Hapludoll which is somewhat poorly drained. This soil does not possess any redoximorphic features. Therefore, the soil at this site does not meet the hydric soil criteria. This soil does not meet any of the NRCS hydric soil indicators.

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Site Name: Planned wetland

Legal Description: N/2 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.

Location: This planned wetland is located in the large field in the easternmost portion of the project area.

HYDROLOGY (K-2)

Inundated: Yes: No: X Depth of standing water: None

Depth to saturated soil: Undetermined

Overview of hydrological flow through the system: It receives water via precipitation and occasional overflow from the Illinois and Mazon rivers. Water leaves the site primarily via evapotranspiration.

Size of Watershed: Approximately 14023 km² (8714 mi²)

Other field evidence observed: None

Wetland hydrology: Yes: No: X

Rationale: There is no field evidence to indicate that this site is inundated or saturated for a sufficient duration to satisfy the wetland hydrology criterion. Also, the ISGS reported that the wetland hydrology criterion had not been met for this site in 2007 (Fucciolo et al. 2007).

DETERMINATION AND RATIONALE (K-2)

Is the site a wetland? Yes: No: X

Rationale: Dominant hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology are all absent; therefore, this part of the site is not a wetland.

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<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvet-leaf	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Acer negundo</i>	box elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	1
<i>Agropyron repens</i>	quack grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Agrostis alba</i>	red top	herb	FACW	0
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	garlic mustard	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ammannia coccinea</i>	long-leaved ammannia	herb	OBL	5
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	tall waterhemp	herb	OBL	1
<i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>	common ragweed	herb	FACU	0
<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	giant ragweed	herb	FAC+	0
<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>	dogbane	herb	FAC	2
<i>Asclepias incarnata</i>	swamp milkweed	herb	OBL	4
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	common milkweed	herb	UPL	0
<i>Aster ericoides</i>	heath aster	herb	FACU-	4
<i>Aster ontarionis</i>	Ontario aster	herb	FAC	4
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	hairy aster	herb	FACU+	0
<i>Aster simplex</i>	panicled aster	herb	FACW	3
<i>Bidens frondosa</i>	common beggar's ticks	herb	FACW	1
<i>Bidens tripartita</i>	beggar's ticks	herb	OBL	2
<i>Bromus commutatus</i>	hairy brome	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	awnless brome grass	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus japonicus</i>	Japanese brome	herb	FACU	*
<i>Campsis radicans</i>	trumpet creeper	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Carex conjuncta</i>	green-headed fox sedge	herb	FACW	5
<i>Carex davisii</i>	Davis sedge	herb	FAC+	3
<i>Carex grayi</i>	bur sedge	herb	FACW+	6
<i>Carex normalis</i>	sedge	herb	FACW	4
<i>Carex tribuloides</i>	sedge	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>	fox sedge	herb	OBL	3
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	hackberry	shrub, herb	FAC-	3
<i>Chaerophyllum procumbens</i>	wild chervil	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	chickory	herb	UPL	*
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle	herb	FACU	*
<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	pasture thistle	herb	UPL	3
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	herb	FACU-	*

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<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	horseweed	herb	FAC-	0
<i>Coronilla varia</i>	crown vetch	herb	UPL	*
<i>Cynanchum laeve</i>	blue vine	herb	FAC	1
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	orchard grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	barnyard grass	herb	OBL	0
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	autumn olive	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Canada wild rye	herb	FAC-	4
<i>Elymus virginicus</i>	Virginia wild rye	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Erigeron annuus</i>	annual fleabane	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	daisy fleabane	herb	FAC-	2
<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i>	white snakeroot	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium serotinum</i>	late boneset	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Festuca pratensis</i>	meadow fescue	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Geum canadense</i>	white avens	herb	FAC	2
<i>Geum laciniatum</i>	rough avens	herb	FACW	2
<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	ground ivy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	honey locust	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Gratiola neglecta</i>	clammy hedge hyssop	herb	OBL	5
<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>	Jerusalem artichoke	herb	FAC	3
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	squirrel-tail	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Ipomoea lacunosa</i>	small morning glory	herb	FACW	1
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	black walnut	shrub, herb	FACU	4
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	prickly lettuce	herb	FAC	*
<i>Lindernia dubia</i>	false pimpernel	herb	OBL	5
<i>Lonicera maackii</i>	Amur honeysuckle	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Lycopus americanus</i>	common water horehound	herb	OBL	3
<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	moneywort	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	black medic	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Melilotus alba</i>	white sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	yellow sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Mimulus ringens</i>	monkey flower	herb	OBL	5
<i>Morus alba</i>	white mulberry	shrub, herb	FAC	*

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Field Investigator: Feist, Zylka, and Wiesbrook **Date:** 4 August, 13-14 October 2009**Project Name:** Morris Wetland Bank**Job No.:** P-93-010-98 **Seq. No.:** 1306**State:** Illinois **County:** Grundy **Applicant:** IDOT District 3**Site Name:** Planned wetland**Legal Description:** N/2 Sect. 11, T. 33 N., R. 7 E.**Location:** This planned wetland is located in the large field in the easternmost portion of the project area.**SPECIES LIST**

Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Muhlenbergia frondosa</i>	common satin grass	herb	FACW	3
<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	evening primrose	herb	FACU	1
<i>Oxalis stricta</i>	yellow wood sorrel	herb	FACU	0
<i>Panicum implicatum</i>	old field panic grass	herb	FAC	2
<i>Pastinaca sativa</i>	parsnip	herb	UPL	*
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canary grass	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Timothy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	fog-fruit	herb	OBL	1
<i>Physostegia virginiana</i>	false dragonhead	herb	FACW	6
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	narrow-leaved plantain	herb	FAC	*
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	red-stalked plantain	herb	FAC	0
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum amphibium</i>	water smartweed	herb	OBL	3
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	knotweed	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum lapathifolium</i>	curttop lady's thumb	herb	FACW+	0
<i>Polygonum persicaria</i>	spotted lady's thumb	herb	FACW	*
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	eastern cottonwood	shrub, herb	FAC+	2
<i>Potentilla norvegica</i>	rough cinquefoil	herb	FAC	0
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	self-heal	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ranunculus abortivus</i>	little-leaf buttercup	herb	FACW-	1
<i>Rorippa islandica</i>	marsh yellow cress	herb	OBL	4
<i>Rosa multiflora</i>	multiflora rose	shrub	FACU	*
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cutleaf coneflower	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	brown-eyed Susan	herb	FAC-	3
<i>Rumex altissimus</i>	pale dock	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Salix amygdaloides</i>	peach-leaved willow	shrub	FACW	4
<i>Salix exigua</i>	sandbar willow	shrub	OBL	1
<i>Salix nigra</i>	black willow	shrub	OBL	3
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	common elder	shrub	FACW-	2
<i>Sanicula gregaria</i>	common snakeroot	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Setaria faberi</i>	giant foxtail	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Setaria glauca</i>	pigeon grass	herb	FAC	*
<i>Sida spinosa</i>	prickly sida	herb	FACU	*

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Solanum carolinense</i>	horse nettle	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod	herb	FACU	1
<i>Solidago gigantea</i>	late goldenrod	herb	FACW	3
<i>Stachys tenuifolia</i>	slenderleaf betony	herb	OBL	5
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	common dandelion	herb	FACU	*
<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	poison ivy	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Tridens flavus</i>	common purple top	herb	UPL	1
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i>	alsike clover	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	red clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	white clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm	shrub, herb	UPL	*
<i>Verbena hastata</i>	blue vervain	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Verbena urticifolia</i>	white vervain	herb	FAC+	3
<i>Verbesina alternifolia</i>	wingstem	herb	FACW	4
<i>Veronica peregrina</i>	purslane speedwell	herb	FACW+	0
<i>Viola pratincola</i>	common blue violet	herb	FAC	1
<i>Vitis riparia</i>	riverbank grape	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	cocklebur	herb	FAC	0

†Coefficient of Conservatism (Taft et al. 1997)

*Non-native species

Percent native species = (81/118) * 100 = 68.6%

 $\bar{C} = \sum C/N = 169/81 = 2.1$ $FQI = \sum C/\sqrt{N} = 169/\sqrt{81} = 18.8$

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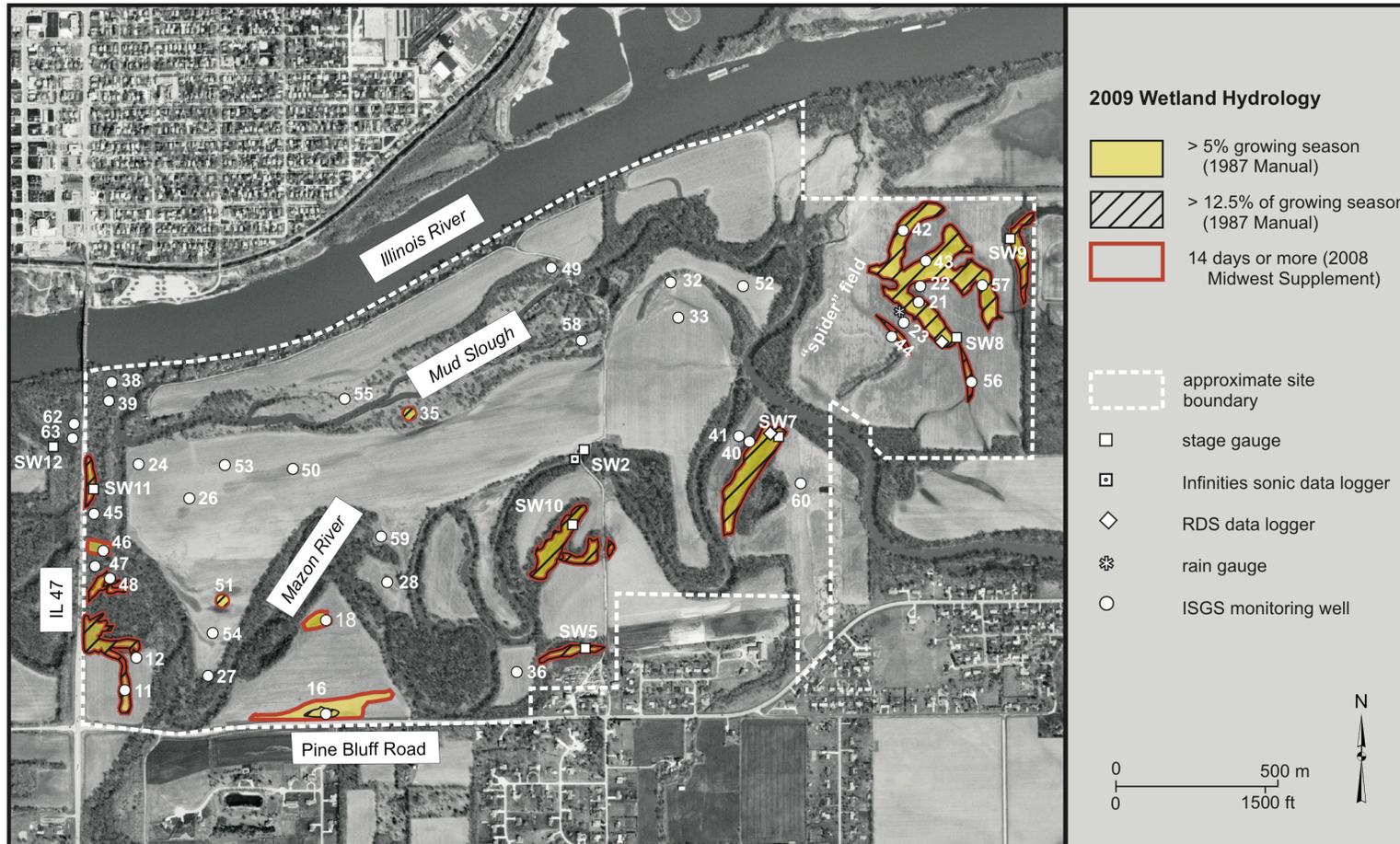
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APPENDIX 4

Hydrological Information

Morris, Illinois River Wetland Bank Site
Estimated Areal Extent of 2009 Wetland Hydrology
 September 1, 2008 through August 31, 2009

Map based on USGS digital orthophotograph, Morris NE quarter quadrangle
 from 4/5/1998 aerial photography (ISGS 2001)



APPENDIX 5

Comprehensive Plant Species List for Non-Wetland Tree Planted Areas at the Morris Mitigation Bank

Appendix 5. Comprehensive plant species list for all non-wetland tree planted areas at the Morris Mitigation Bank, 2009.

Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	velvet-leaf	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Acer negundo</i>	box elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	1
<i>Acer saccharinum</i>	silver maple	shrub, herb	FACW	1
<i>Agropyron repens</i>	quack grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Agrostis alba</i>	red top	herb	FACW	0
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	garlic mustard	herb	FAC	*
<i>Amaranthus tuberculatus</i>	tall waterhemp	herb	OBL	1
<i>Ambrosia artemisiifolia</i>	common ragweed	herb	FACU	0
<i>Ambrosia trifida</i>	giant ragweed	herb	FAC+	0
<i>Apocynum cannabinum</i>	dogbane	herb	FAC	2
<i>Arctium minus</i>	common burdock	herb	UPL	*
<i>Asclepias syriaca</i>	common milkweed	herb	UPL	0
<i>Aster ericoides</i>	heath aster	herb	FACU-	4
<i>Aster ontarionis</i>	Ontario aster	herb	FAC	4
<i>Aster pilosus</i>	hairy aster	herb	FACU+	0
<i>Aster simplex</i>	panicled aster	herb	FACW	3
<i>Atriplex patula</i>	fat-hen saltbush	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Bidens frondosa</i>	common beggar's ticks	herb	FACW	1
<i>Brassica kaber</i>	charlock	herb	UPL	0
<i>Brassica nigra</i>	black mustard	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus commutatus</i>	hairy brome	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	awnless brome grass	herb	UPL	*
<i>Bromus japonicus</i>	Japanese brome	herb	FACU	*
<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	American bindweed	herb	FAC	1
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	shepherd's-purse	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	musk bristle thistle	herb	UPL	*
<i>Carex</i> sp.	sedge	herb	----	--
<i>Carex conjuncta</i>	green-headed fox sedge	herb	FACW	5
<i>Carex grayi</i>	bur sedge	herb	FACW+	6
<i>Carex normalis</i>	sedge	herb	FACW	4
<i>Carex vulpinoidea</i>	fox sedge	herb	OBL	3
<i>Celtis occidentalis</i>	hackberry	shrub, herb	FAC-	3
<i>Cercis canadensis</i>	eastern redbud	shrub, herb	FACU	3
<i>Chaerophyllum procumbens</i>	wild chervil	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Chamaesyce maculata</i>	nodding spurge	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	lamb's quarters	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Cichorium intybus</i>	chickory	herb	UPL	*
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canada thistle	herb	FACU	*
<i>Cirsium discolor</i>	pasture thistle	herb	UPL	3
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	bull thistle	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	horseweed	herb	FAC-	0
<i>Cryptotaenia canadensis</i>	honestwort	herb	FAC	1
<i>Cynanchum laeve</i>	blue vine	herb	FAC	1
<i>Cyperus esculentus</i>	yellow nut-sedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Cyperus strigosus</i>	straw-colored flatsedge	herb	FACW	0
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	orchard grass	herb	FACU	*

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Queen Anne's lace	herb	UPL	*
<i>Desmodium illinoense</i>	Illinois tick trefoil	herb	UPL	5
<i>Dipsacus laciniatus</i>	cut-leaved teasel	herb	UPL	*
<i>Echinochloa muricata</i>	barnyard grass	herb	OBL	0
<i>Elaeagnus umbellata</i>	autumn olive	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	Canada wild rye	herb	FAC-	4
<i>Elymus virginicus</i>	Virginia wild rye	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Erigeron annuus</i>	annual fleabane	herb	FAC-	1
<i>Erigeron strigosus</i>	daisy fleabane	herb	FAC-	2
<i>Eupatorium rugosum</i>	white snakeroot	herb	FACU	2
<i>Eupatorium serotinum</i>	late boneset	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Festuca pratensis</i>	meadow fescue	herb	FACU-	*
<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i>	green ash	shrub, herb	FACW	2
<i>Geum canadense</i>	white avens	herb	FAC	2
<i>Geum laciniatum</i>	rough avens	herb	FACW	2
<i>Glechoma hederacea</i>	ground ivy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Gleditsia triacanthos</i>	honey locust	shrub, herb	FAC	2
<i>Helenium autumnale</i>	autumn sneezeweed	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Helianthus tuberosus</i>	Jerusalem artichoke	herb	FAC	3
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	squirrel-tail	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Ipomoea hederacea</i>	ivy-leaved morning glory	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ipomoea lacunosa</i>	small white morning-glory	herb	FACW	1
<i>Ipomoea pandurata</i>	wild sweet potato vine	herb	FACU	2
<i>Juglans nigra</i>	black walnut	shrub, herb	FACU	4
<i>Lactuca floridana</i>	blue lettuce	herb	FAC-	4
<i>Lactuca saligna</i>	willow-leaved lettuce	herb	FACU	*
<i>Lactuca serriola</i>	prickly lettuce	herb	FAC	*
<i>Laportea canadensis</i>	wood nettle	herb	FACW	2
<i>Leersia virginica</i>	white grass	herb	FACW	4
<i>Leonurus marrubiastrum</i>	lion's-tail	herb	UPL	*
<i>Lepidium virginicum</i>	common peppergrass	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	crested rye grass	herb	FACU	*
<i>Lonicera maackii</i>	Amur honeysuckle	shrub	UPL	*
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	birdsfoot-trefoil	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Lysimachia nummularia</i>	moneywort	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	black medic	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	alfalfa	herb	UPL	*
<i>Melilotus alba</i>	white sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	yellow sweet clover	herb	FACU	*
<i>Mollugo verticillata</i>	carpetweed	herb	FAC	*
<i>Morus alba</i>	white mulberry	shrub, herb	FAC	*
<i>Muhlenbergia frondosa</i>	common satin grass	herb	FACW	3
<i>Muhlenbergia schreberi</i>	nimble will	herb	FAC	0
<i>Oenothera biennis</i>	evening primrose	herb	FACU	1
<i>Oxalis stricta</i>	yellow wood sorrel	herb	FACU	0
<i>Panicum dichotomiflorum</i>	fall panicum	herb	FACW-	0
<i>Panicum virgatum</i>	prairie switchgrass	herb	FAC+	4

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Parthenocissus quinquefolia</i>	Virginia creeper	herb	FAC-	2
<i>Pastinaca sativa</i>	parsnip	herb	UPL	*
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	reed canary grass	herb	FACW+	*
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Timothy	herb	FACU	*
<i>Phyla lanceolata</i>	fog-fruit	herb	OBL	1
<i>Physalis subglabrata</i>	smooth ground cherry	herb	UPL	0
<i>Pilea pumila</i>	Canada clearweed	herb	FACW	3
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	narrow-leaved plantain	herb	FAC	*
<i>Plantago rugelii</i>	red-stalked plantain	herb	FAC	0
<i>Poa compressa</i>	Canadian bluegrass	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky bluegrass	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum amphibium</i>	water smartweed	herb	OBL	3
<i>Polygonum aviculare</i>	knotweed	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Polygonum lapathifolium</i>	curttop lady's thumb	herb	FACW+	0
<i>Polygonum pennsylvanicum</i>	giant smartweed	herb	FACW+	1
<i>Polygonum scandens</i>	climbing buckwheat	herb	FAC	2
<i>Populus deltoides</i>	eastern cottonwood	shrub, herb	FAC+	2
<i>Potentilla norvegica</i>	rough cinquefoil	herb	FAC	0
<i>Prunella vulgaris</i>	self-heal	herb	FAC	*
<i>Ptelea trifoliata</i>	wafer ash	shrub	FACU+	4
<i>Ranunculus abortivus</i>	little-leaf buttercup	herb	FACW-	1
<i>Rorippa islandica</i>	marsh yellow cress	herb	OBL	4
<i>Rorippa sylvestris</i>	creeping yellow cress	herb	OBL	*
<i>Rosa multiflora</i>	multiflora rose	shrub	FACU	*
<i>Rubus occidentalis</i>	black raspberry	shrub	UPL	2
<i>Rudbeckia laciniata</i>	cutleaf coneflower	herb	FACW+	3
<i>Rudbeckia triloba</i>	brown-eyed Susan	herb	FAC-	3
<i>Rumex altissimus</i>	pale dock	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	curly dock	herb	FAC+	*
<i>Salix amygdaloides</i>	peach-leaved willow	shrub, herb	FACW	4
<i>Salix exigua</i>	sandbar willow	shrub, herb	OBL	1
<i>Salix nigra</i>	black willow	shrub, herb	OBL	3
<i>Sambucus canadensis</i>	common elder	shrub, herb	FACW-	2
<i>Sanicula gregaria</i>	common snakeroot	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Setaria faberi</i>	giant foxtail	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Setaria glauca</i>	pigeon grass	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria verticillata</i>	bristly foxtail	herb	FAC	*
<i>Setaria viridis</i>	common foxtail	herb	UPL	*
<i>Setaria viridis</i> var. <i>major</i>	tall green foxtail	herb	UPL	*
<i>Sicyos angulatus</i>	bur cucumber	herb	FACW-	3
<i>Sida spinosa</i>	prickly sida	herb	FACU	*
<i>Silphium perfoliatum</i>	cup plant	herb	FACW-	4
<i>Smilax hispida</i>	bristly greenbrier	herb	FAC	3
<i>Solanum carolinense</i>	horse nettle	herb	FACU-	0
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	false bitterweet	herb	FAC	*
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canada goldenrod	herb	FACU	1
<i>Solidago gigantea</i>	late goldenrod	herb	FACW	3

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Scientific name	Common name	Stratum	Wetland indicator status	C†
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	field sowthistle	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	common dandelion	herb	FACU	*
<i>Teucrium canadense</i>	American germander	herb	FACW-	3
<i>Thlaspi arvense</i>	field penny cress	herb	UPL	*
<i>Toxicodendron radicans</i>	poison ivy	herb	FAC+	1
<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	goat's beard	herb	UPL	*
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i>	alsike clover	herb	FAC-	*
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	red clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	white clover	herb	FACU+	*
<i>Ulmus americana</i>	American elm	shrub, herb	FACW-	5
<i>Ulmus pumila</i>	Siberian elm	shrub, herb	UPL	*
<i>Ulmus rubra</i>	slippery elm	shrub, herb	FAC	3
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	stinging nettle	herb	FAC+	2
<i>Verbena urticifolia</i>	white vervain	herb	FAC+	3
<i>Viola pratincola</i>	common blue violet	herb	FAC	1
<i>Viola sororia</i>	woolly blue violet	herb	FAC-	3
<i>Vitis riparia</i>	riverbank grape	herb	FACW-	2
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	cocklebur	herb	FAC	0

†Coefficient of Conservatism (Taft et al. 1997)

*Non-native species

Percent native species = (95/157) * 100 = 60.5%

$$\bar{C} = \sum C/N = 188/95 = 2.0$$

$$FQI = \sum C/\sqrt{N} = 185/\sqrt{95} = 19.0$$

APPENDIX 6

Photographs of Planned Wetlands



Photograph 1. Planned wetland A.



Photograph 2. Planned wetland B.



Photograph 3. Planned wetland C.



Photograph 4. Planned wetland D.



Photograph 5. Planned wetland E.



Photograph 6. Planned wetland F.



Photograph 7. Planned wetland G.



Photograph 8. Planned wetland H



Photograph 9. Planned wetland I.



Photograph 10. Planned wetland J.



Photograph 11. Planned wetland K.