

## **APPENDIX C**

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Natural Resources Field  
Survey Plan

## Fresh Kills Park

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## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The City of New York, led by the New York City Department of City Planning (DCP), conducted a master planning process for the redevelopment of the approximately 2,200-acre Fresh Kills Landfill Complex (project site) on the Arthur Kill waterfront of Staten Island (Figure 1) that will guide the site's transformation to public parkland over the next 30 years. As a product of this extensive planning and community participation process, DCP, in collaboration with other City agencies, has prepared an illustrative Draft Master Plan (DMP) for the Fresh Kills Park project. Upon completion, the proposed Fresh Kills Park will include a diversity of cultural, athletic, and educational facilities, as well as an ecological restoration composed of reclaimed wetlands, grasslands, and woodlands that will offer wildlife habitat and natural open spaces for park visitors. A park roadway, as well as a secondary road and a series of foot, bicycle, and equestrian paths will allow for various transport modes through the park.

A Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (DGEIS) is being prepared for the proposed Fresh Kills Park plan pursuant to New York City Environmental Quality Review (CEQR). The New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), the City agency with the primary responsibility for developing the park, is the lead agency for the preparation of the DGEIS.

Much of the site is a highly engineered complex of man-made infrastructure and landscape supporting simple homogeneous ecologies that have developed over 50 years of landfilling activities. However, despite these conditions, the project site retains many ecological assets, including hundreds of acres of salt marsh and a significant network of tidal creeks, in addition to upland areas comprising young and maturing woodlands, and areas of native grasses. Moreover, proximity to the Staten Island Greenbelt park system and the William T. Davis Wildlife Refuge offers a rich mix of wildlife species with the potential to use the habitats within the project site. These adjacent open spaces also create significant opportunities for open space linkages. For these reasons, the creeks and wetland habitats of Fresh Kills have been designated a Significant Coastal Fish and Wildlife Habitat by New York State Department of State (NYSDOS 2007)

This Natural Resources Field Survey Plan (Field Survey Plan) outlines the overall approach and specific methods to be utilized in the natural resources field study of the Fresh Kills Park Study Area. The overall field survey program, including the methods presented in this Plan, is in accordance with the Natural Resources Technical Memorandum, dated January 22, 2007, which outlines the detailed technical scope of work for the natural resources analyses to be performed for the Fresh Kills Park DGEIS. As described in the Technical Memorandum, the objective of the natural resources field study is to accurately characterize existing terrestrial and aquatic resources present in the Fresh Kills Park Project Site (Primary Study Area) and surrounding areas (Secondary Study Area) (see Figure 2). The Primary Study Area for the terrestrial resources assessment covers the habitats within the Fresh Kills site. The Secondary Study Area covers habitats located adjacent to the Fresh Kills site (up to a distance of ½ mile from the Primary Study Area boundary). Adjacent areas that comprise the Secondary Study Area include park lands and other open space or natural areas such as (but not limited to) South Shore Golf Course, Arden Heights Woods Park, LaTourette Park, Willowbrook Park, and the existing Fresh Kills Park to the north of the project site. The results of the natural resources field study will be incorporated into the baseline characterization of natural resources prepared for the DGEIS.

This Field Survey Plan provides the overall objectives of the natural resources survey effort, the proposed approach to verifying and characterizing the ecological communities within the project site and surrounding areas, and outlines the specific methods that will be used to achieve the stated objectives. Base maps used during field efforts will be compiled from vegetative and other habitat data collected and prepared by Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (AES) (presented in Figure 3) and topographic data provided by GEOSyntec/Air Surveys (presented in Figure 4). Figure 5 presents the proposed improvements associated with the Park Drives. Figures 6a and 6b provide specific locations of the soil

shovel tests. Figure 7 presents an overview of the proposed locations of the short-term projects and park drives.

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

The overall objectives of the Field Survey effort of the Fresh Kills Park project are to:

- Characterize the current terrestrial and aquatic resources present within the previously identified Primary Study Area for the Fresh Kills Park project (see Figure 2) and verify and augment the information compiled from publicly available literature and previously conducted studies of this area; and
- Verify and augment existing characterizations of natural resources within the Secondary Study Areas.

## **3. APPROACH**

### **PLANT COMMUNITY**

The proposed vegetative sampling approach is a modified version of the Relève´ Method of Sampling, which includes a structured, subjective reconnaissance that uses flexible, loosely-defined sampling areas to identify species present within each stratum and generalized ranges of cover estimates. This method of vegetative sampling has been documented as an effective method for sampling large areas of land, including highly disturbed or biologically isolated communities (ASTM 1998). It also is an effective approach for verifying previously performed ecological characterizations (ASTM 1998).

Based on a thorough review of previously performed ecological characterizations and surveys conducted within the project site in association with the operation of the landfill, the plant communities identified in Table 1 and Figure 3 have been selected as the primary focus of the field investigations. Factors considered in the selection of these areas as a primary focus of the field investigations included:

- Previous ecological investigations (performed in 1990 and 2003) described the community as less disturbed, relative to other natural areas in the project vicinity;
- Significant changes in the plant community were reported between field surveys described in 1990, and conducted in 2003 (e.g. invasion/spread of *Phragmites*);
- Potential for providing habitat for threatened or endangered species, or other species of concern (See discussion below);
- Designated as communities of ecological significance, or as having significant conservation value;
- Location of a short-term project (see Table 2);
- Locations that may be that may be disturbed through the development of a park element such as the road improvements depicted in Figure 5; and
- Communities with a significant amount of the total natural areas within the project site.

These communities will be sampled to verify ecological conditions and document changes that may have occurred since the field investigations performed by AES in 2003.

**Table 1**  
**Existing Plant Communities<sup>(1)</sup> Identified Within the**  
**Fresh Kills Project Site That are Selected for Detailed Study**

Habitat/Community	Approximate Size (acres)
Spartina-dominated Saltmarsh	167
Scraped Shoreline	32
Palustrine Scrub Shrub and Emergent	4
Palustrine Forested (Muldoon Avenue Wet Woodland)	56
Young Woodland	31
Maturing Woodland (Arden Heights Woodland)	15
Phragmites Dominated Field with Woody Vegetation	148
Non-Phragmites Dominated Field	22
Grass/Forb Dominated Field	100
<b>Notes:</b> (1) Based on characterizations and surveys performed by SCS Engineers (1990) and Applied Ecological Services, Inc. (2003).	

**Table 2**  
**Short Term Projects**

Project Name
<b>Schmul Park Entrance</b> --park entrance and bosque parking (4 acres) (see DMP page 43 of DMP)
<b>Travis Neighborhood Park</b> --parade grounds, park lawn and picnic area (about 7 acres) and ball fields/playground (about 5 acres) (DMP page 43)
<b>North Park multi-use path and wetland restoration</b> --freshwater wetland/stormwater basin restoration (about 4 acres), freshwater stream restoration (about 6 acres), recreational loop path (about two miles) around landfill mound ¾), various footpaths to Main Creek waterfront, possible tidal wetland restoration along Main Creek (DMP page 43)
<b>Arden Heights Neighborhood Park and wetland restoration</b> —entrance and parking (about 3 acres) information center, restoration of freshwater wetland basin (about 2 acres) (DMP page 45)
<b>South Mound loop trail and overlooks</b> —trail system around base of landfill mound 2/8 (about 8 miles) (DMP page 45)
<b>Owl Hollow Soccer Fields</b> -four soccer fields, parking and comfort station (total area about 21 acres)
<b>Central Area (including the Marsh, the Terrace, and the Sunken Forest)</b> —freshwater wetland improvements and possible tidal wetland restoration at the Marsh (about 20 acres), parking, freshwater wetland restoration, and possible tidal edge restoration at the Terrace (about 10 acres), and freshwater wetlands restoration at the Sunken Forest (about 4 acres) (DMP page 37)
<b>Creek Landing</b> —activities on existing built surfaces and reuse of existing bulkhead with some possible tidal wetland creation in areas of bulkhead deterioration (about 1 acres of restoration) (DMP page 37)
<b>North and South Park mound restorations</b> —enhancements of existing landfill cover for habitat restoration and public access at mounds 3/4 and 2/8
<b>Segments one and two of the park drive and landscape ribbon</b> —southern segment of the park drive and the connections to the West Shore Expressway (DMP page 47)
<b>Wind energy systems</b> —concrete pads on landfill mounds (locations to be determined)

Sample locations will be selected for detailed survey within these plant communities. These sample locations will be identified in the field, based on best professional judgment, and will serve as representative examples of each of the overall communities listed above. Basic data collected will be supplemented with additional, more specific data on ecological conditions, adjacent and/or surrounding land uses, site/plot specific level of disturbance assessments, tree densities and sizes, hydrologic features and conditions, wildlife observations, and location coordinates. Section 4 of this Survey Plan (Methods) describes sample location selection and size, and the data to be collected.

The remaining plant communities found within the Primary Study Area, as identified in Figure 3, will be surveyed less intensively than those selected for detailed study, to document existing conditions and verify significant ecological changes that may have transpired since field investigations in 2003. These areas include *Phragmites*-dominated wetlands, *Phragmites*-dominated upland fields, and landscaped areas occurring in the project area. Figure 3 provides the existing vegetation communities for the Primary Study Areas based on available data, as documented during field investigations by AES in 2003 (AES 2003). It was determined that these areas were documented as being significantly disturbed through landfill activities or other disturbances, did not exhibit significant changes between the 1990 field surveys and the 2003 field surveys, were not considered ecologically significant or of significant conservation value, or are landscaped/maintained areas that do not require as intensive a survey effort.

A less intensive field reconnaissance will be performed in the Secondary Study Area to provide a general description of the natural resources in these areas. These areas generally comprise parklands and other open space or natural areas such as (but not limited to) South Shore Golf Course, Arden Heights Woods Park, LaTourette Park, Willowbrook Park, and the existing Fresh Kills Park to the north of the Fresh Kills site (Figure 2). Other naturally occurring areas located adjacent to the Primary Study Area will be documented as appropriate.

### **WILDLIFE**

Wildlife, including terrestrial and/or aquatic species observed in the vicinity of vegetation sampling locations as well as during the course of the field survey will be recorded. Observations noted could include sightings, calls, tracks, or other evidence of the presence of wildlife species. In addition, specific behavioral patterns or any unusual activities observed will be noted. All field activities will be performed between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM to maximize the potential for wildlife viewing/observation.

### **PROTECTED SPECIES**

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Natural Heritage Program, US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), were contacted regarding information as to the potential presence of threatened or endangered species, suitable habitats for such species, and other habitats of concern within the Primary and Secondary Study Areas. No protected species were identified by the USFWS or NMFS within the project area. The NYSDEC identified several egrets, herons, and other waterbirds as having been documented in the vicinity of the Isle of Meadows, and specifically identified the Isle of Meadows as habitat for colonial waterbird nesting. However, recent studies performed by the New York City Audubon Society have confirmed that these species have not nested on the Isle of Meadows during the last 5 years. The NYSDEC also identified barn owl (*Tyto alba*), glaucous sedge (*Carex glaucoidea*), and persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*), as protected species documented as occurring within the vicinity of the project site. Significant ecological communities identified by the NYSDEC as potentially occurring within close proximity to the project site include a red maple-sweetgum swamp, and an oak-tulip forest, both of which were identified as having high ecological and/or conservation value.

Table 3 presents the species identified by the NYSDEC as potentially occurring within the project site or in surrounding areas. If habitats suitable for any species listed in Table 3 below, or any other protected species known to occur in the general vicinity of Fresh Kills are observed (i.e. Torrey's mountain-mint,

blackjack willow), the specific location of such areas will be documented, and further threatened and endangered species studies may be warranted.

<b>Table 3</b>			
<b>Threatened or Endangered Species, and Significant Ecological Communities Identified in the Vicinity of the Fresh Kills Project Site<sup>1</sup></b>			
<b>Species/Community</b>	<b>Scientific name</b>	<b>Legal Status<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>Wildlife</b>			
Great egret	<i>Ardea alba</i>	Protected	Last observed 1998, Isle of Meadows
Cattle egret	<i>Bubulcus ibis</i>	Protected	Last observed 1998, Isle of Meadows
Little blue heron	<i>Egretta caerulea</i>	Protected	Last observed 1998, Isle of Meadows
Snowy egret	<i>Egretta thula</i>	Protected	Last observed 1998, Isle of Meadows
Yellow-crowned night heron	<i>Nyctanassa violacea</i>	Protected	Last observed 1995, Isle of Meadows
Glossy ibis	<i>Plegadis falcinellus</i>	Protected	Last observed 1998, Isle of Meadows
Barn owl	<i>Tyto alba</i>	Protected	Last observed 2002, in urban areas in site vicinity
<b>Plants</b>			
Glaucous sedge	<i>Carex glaucoidea</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1995. <b>Habitat</b> - Mesic to dry upland forests, along streams, roadside ditches, old fields. Typically on acid soils in drier areas. Fruits may be present May through July.
Persimmon	<i>Diospyros virginiana</i>	Threatened	Last observed 1996 <b>Habitat</b> - FACU, FAC (NWI), prefers moist, well-drained, bottomland or sandy soils but is also very drought tolerant. It can be the first tree species to start growth on abandoned and denuded cropland. Common persimmon is a key species in the forest cover type Sassafras-Persimmon (Society of American Foresters Type 64). Common associates are elms ( <i>Ulmus</i> spp.), eastern red cedar ( <i>Juniperus virginiana</i> ), hickories ( <i>Carya</i> spp.), sugar maple ( <i>Acer saccharum</i> ), yellow-poplar ( <i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> ), oaks ( <i>Quercus</i> spp.), boxelder ( <i>Acer negundo</i> ), red maple ( <i>A. rubrum</i> ), sycamore ( <i>Platanus occidentalis</i> ), and cedar elm ( <i>Ulmus crassifolia</i> ). Common shrub and noncommercial tree associates include swamp-privet ( <i>Forestiera acuminata</i> ), roughleaf dogwood ( <i>Cornus drummondii</i> ), hawthorns ( <i>Crataegus</i> spp.), water-elm ( <i>Planera aquatica</i> ), shining sumac ( <i>Rhus copallina</i> ), and smooth sumac ( <i>R. glabra</i> ) <sup>3</sup> .  Flowers in June. Fruit is a persistent spherical berry 1.9 to 5.1 cm (0.8 to 2.0 in) in diameter that ripens from September to November and yellow to orange or dark red in color.

<sup>1</sup> Based on correspondence received from the NYSDEC (NYSDEC 2007). No protected species were identified by the USFWS or NMFS within the project area.

<sup>2</sup> P – Protected, T – Threatened, E – Endangered

<sup>3</sup> [http://www.na.fs.fed.us/pubs/silvics\\_manual/volume\\_2/diospyros/virginiana.htm](http://www.na.fs.fed.us/pubs/silvics_manual/volume_2/diospyros/virginiana.htm)

**Table 3 (Continued)**  
**Threatened or Endangered Species, and Significant Ecological Communities  
 Identified in the Vicinity of the Fresh Kills Project Site<sup>4</sup>**

Species/Community	Scientific name	Legal Status <sup>5</sup>	Comments
<b>Ecological Communities</b>			
Red maple-Sweetgum Swamp			Area red maple-sweetgum swamp community having high ecological and conservation value
Oak-tulip tree forest			Oak-tulip tree forests located in close proximity to Site are considered rare communities
Colonial Waterbird Nesting Area			Isle of Meadows
<b>Historical Records<sup>6</sup></b>			
Northern cricket frog	<i>Acris crepitans</i>	Endangered	Last observation date not known
Cattail sedge	<i>Carex tyhpina</i>	Threatened	Last observed 1902
Dwarf hawthorn	<i>Crataegus uniflora</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1907
Log fern	<i>Dryopteris celsa</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1907
American strawberry-bush	<i>Eunonymus americanus</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1901
American ipecac	<i>Euphorbia ipecacuanhae</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1882
Scirpus-like rush	<i>Juncus scirpoides</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1901
Bead pinweed	<i>Lechea pulchella</i> var. <i>moniliformis</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1901
Orange fringed orchid	<i>Platanthera ciliaris</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1905
Rose-pink	<i>Sabatia angularis</i>	Endangered	Last observed 1908
Primrose-leaf violet	<i>Viola primulifolia</i>	Threatened	Last observed 1902

#### 4. METHODS

As previously discussed, the overall objectives of the Natural Resources Field Survey are to:

- Characterize the current terrestrial and aquatic resources present within the previously identified Primary Study Area for the Fresh Kills Park project (Figure 2) and verify and augment the information compiled from publicly available literature and previously conducted studies of this area; and
- Verify and augment existing characterizations of natural resources within the Secondary Study Areas.

Field investigations of the Fresh Kills site will be conducted during two seasons—late spring/early summer (i.e., May/June) to generally coincide with the flowering period for spring flowering plants and bird breeding within the habitats available within the study areas, and late fall to coincide with fall flowering period and the fall bird migration (i.e., October/November).

<sup>4</sup> Based on correspondence received from the NYSDEC (NYSDEC 2007). No protected species were identified by the USFWS or NMFS within the project area.

<sup>5</sup> P – Protected, T – Threatened, E – Endangered

<sup>6</sup> Historical Records include plants and animals that had been documented in the project vicinity at one time, but have not been documented there since 1979 or earlier. There is no recent information on these plants and animals in the vicinity of the project site and their current status is unknown. If appropriate habitat for these plants or animals is present in the project vicinity, it is possible that they may still occur.

Specific sampling efforts in each of these communities will be determined in the field based on existing community-specific conditions such as vegetation composition, level of disturbance, and other factors that may influence the overall sampling plot size and number of plots sampled within each community. The Fresh Kills Park Natural Resources Survey Data Form (Attachment 1) will be used to document general location information, specific geographic location, weather conditions, wetland/upland classification, vegetative composition, herbaceous and canopy cover, plot size, number and size of trees observed, hydrology, wildlife observed, level of disturbance, unvegetated surface area, surrounding/adjacent land use, and other parameters.

No ground disturbing activities (i.e., invasive subsurface disturbance or soil borings) will occur within the Solid Waste Management Unit Area during the course of this field work. Shallow soil shovel tests (less than 12 inches) may be taken at select locations (See Figures 6a and 6b). Shallow shovel tests would be performed in areas that are vegetated with wetland and upland plant species and would be performed to confirm the presence of hydric soils and potentially occurring jurisdictional wetland resources. No shovel tests would be performed in active landfill areas, or other areas where the upland or wetland characteristics of a plot can be confirmed based on vegetation present and other indicators (including but not limited to standing water, saturation at the surface, water stained leaves, water marks). Required shovel tests would be performed using a 2-to-3-inch-diameter soil probe or hand auger, and would be limited to the top 12 inches from the surface. No drilling or other invasive mechanized methods of boring would be performed. Soil color and texture would be documented based on visual examination only. No analytical data, testing, or other sampling would be performed as part of this effort.

As shown in Figure 6a, a limited number of shovel tests (10-12) would be taken in the vicinity of the existing small, freshwater, wetland basin in the area of the proposed North Park, which is one of the short-term projects. These tests would be within 50 feet of the wetland. In addition, in the South Park, up to 10 shovel tests would be performed in the swale between the two mounds that create landfill section 2/8. The shovel tests would be performed along the centerline and within 25 feet of the centerline that forms the wetland swale between these two landfill sections. In addition, a limited number of shovel tests (up to 10) would be performed within the vicinity of the existing, small, freshwater wetland basin south of these mounds, which is proposed for restoration as part of the South Park project (see Figure 6b). These shovel tests would be performed within 50 feet of this wetland.

No shovel tests would impact the landfill gas collection system, nor would any shovel tests be taken within 20 feet of landfill gas monitoring wells.

As noted on the Fresh Kills Park Natural Resources Survey Data Form (Attachment 1), and in accordance with the Natural Resources Technical Memorandum, dated January 22, 2007, wildlife, including terrestrial and/or aquatic species observed in the vicinity of vegetation sampling locations as well as during the course of the field survey will be recorded. These may include sightings, calls, tracks, or other evidence of the presence of wildlife species, as well as specific behavioral patterns or any unusual activities. Following completion of the field surveys, a complete listing of wildlife species observed (including birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, aquatic species, etc.) will be prepared.

All field activities will be performed between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM to maximize the potential for wildlife viewing.

## **AREAS SELECTED FOR DETAILED SURVEY**

### ***AREAS OF DISTURBANCE***

Areas of disturbance relative to proposed park elements will be surveyed for the purposes of impact assessment. These park elements include items listed in Table 2 as short-term projects and the longer term park elements as delineated in the DMP. Figure 5 presents a specific element for the proposed park drives that will be field reviewed. Figure 7 provides an overview of the short-term project locations and the proposed park drives.

*HABITATS FOR INVESTIGATION*

The following sections present overall guidelines to be used for sampling of each community, based on generally accepted scientific protocols, as outlined in the Relevé Sampling Method. The total number of sampling plots identified for each community may be modified, using best professional judgment, based on observed field conditions observed. Enough plots will be sampled to ensure a representative sampling of each of the communities occurring within the Primary Study Area of the overall Fresh Kills Park project. Locations of each sampling plot will be confirmed using Global Positioning System (GPS) data.

*Spartina-dominated saltmarsh (approx. 167 acres)*

According to previous field studies performed at the project site, relatively undisturbed *Spartina*-dominated salt marsh habitat occurs in the Main Creek/Springfield Creek area of the project site, north of Mound 6/7, and along Richmond Creek southeast and south of Mound 6/7 (SCS Engineers 1990, AES 2003). This community contains areas of low and high marsh. The low marsh is predominantly *S. alterniflora* and the high marsh is predominately *S. patens* and *Distichlis spicata*. *Phragmites* occurs within the high marsh areas and along the wetland/upland edges.

Vegetative and other parameters will be documented at approximately 20 sampling plots throughout the *Spartina*-dominated saltmarsh community within the project site. Each sampling plot will be 25 square meters (m<sup>2</sup>) in size, in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) estimated minimal areas for wetland vegetation plots sampled using the Relevé method (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form (Attachment 1). Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including any observations of invasive species, or encroachment or significant spread of *Phragmites* into the community.

*Scraped shoreline with Spartina (approx. 32 acres)*

According to the SCS Engineers field surveys summarized in 1990, a scraped shoreline community existed along the shoreline areas of Mounds 1/9 and 3/4. These areas were described as being vegetated with *S. alterniflora*, *S. patens*, *D. spicata*, and *Phragmites* (SCS Engineers 1990). Investigations performed in 2003 by AES confirmed that these areas are now predominantly vegetated with *Phragmites*.

Vegetative and other parameters will be documented at approximately 10 sampling plots throughout the Scraped shoreline with *Spartina* community. Each sampling plot will be 25 square meters (m<sup>2</sup>) in size, in accordance with the ASTM estimated minimal areas for wetland vegetation plots sampled using the Relevé method (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate.

*Palustrine scrub-shrub and emergent (Non Phragmites-dominated) (4 acres)*

Areas of the project site identified in the SCS Engineers Report as non-*Phragmites* dominated palustrine scrub-shrub areas have since become vegetated with *Phragmites* (AES 2003). These areas typically were observed within drainage channels of the landfill, and also within other freshwater wetland complexes associated with the landfill. Previous investigations confirmed that these areas were vegetated with *Phragmites*, with smaller amounts of the invasive purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*), various sedges, switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*), groundselbush (*Baccharis halimifolia*), and northern bayberry (*Myrica pensylvanica*).

Vegetative and other parameters will be documented at five sampling plots throughout the extent of this community. In accordance with ASTM guidelines, plots will be 100 m<sup>2</sup> in size (ASTM 1998), but may vary with regards to overall shape, due to the potential linear nature of the communities. As previously stated, much of this community is associated with drainage channels within the landfill complex. Best professional judgment will be used in order to determine overall plot shape. At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations with regards to the linear aspects of the sampling plot and location will be made as applicable and appropriate.

*Palustrine Forested (56 acres)*

Palustrine forested areas of the site were described by SCS Engineers (1990) as relatively undisturbed, and vegetated predominantly with green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*), sweetgum (*Liquidambar styraciflua*), pin oak (*Quercus palustris*), and red maple (*Acer rubrum*). Subsequent reports and field investigations performed by AES staff confirmed that these palustrine forested areas remain relatively undisturbed, and continue to be vegetated with similar species. Shrubs observed in the understory included spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*) and arrow-wood (*Viburnum dentatum*). *Phragmites* was observed in the outer edges of these forested communities. The majority of the Palustrine Forested community mapped by AES is located east of Mound 6/7 and in areas identified in reports as Muldoon Avenue Wet Woodland and Arthur Kill Road Woodland.

Vegetative and other applicable parameters will be documented at 15 sampling plots throughout the extent of the palustrine forested community, as mapped by AES (AES 2003). In accordance with ASTM guidelines, sampling plots in forested areas will be 200 m<sup>2</sup> in size. At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations with regards to the linear aspects of the sampling plot and location will be made as applicable and appropriate.

*Young Woodland (31 acres)*

The Annandale Road Woodland was described by SCS Engineers as an upland late-successional forest that contained a mix of upland and wetland tolerant species including red maple, gray birch (*Betula populifolia*), sassafras (*Sassafras albinum*), pin oak, and black tupelo (*Nyssa sylvatica*), in the canopy layer, with understory comprising wild black cherry (*Prunus serotina*), poison ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*) and cinnamon fern (*Osmunda cinnamomea*) (SCS Engineers 1990). In 2003, AES field efforts verified that the composition of this Young Woodland community was consistent with the SCS Engineers characterization. AES noted that over the course of 15 years, many of the canopy species could now be characterized as mature as opposed to young (AES 2003).

The Arthur Kill Road Woodland was described by SCS Engineers as a young woodland with a sparse canopy (SCS Engineers 1990). This area was further described as a late-successional area supporting a mix of upland and wetland tolerant species, consistent with those species observed in the Annandale Road Woodland. SCS Engineers went on to state that this area could be in the process of changing to a mixed wetland community, noting the obvious signs of wetland hydrology, including standing water and other indicators (SCS Engineers 1990). AES field investigations in 2003 confirmed the characterizations made by SCS Engineers, and went on to conclude that much of this area could be considered wetlands (AES 2003).

Vegetative and other applicable parameters will be documented at 15 sampling plots throughout the Annandale Road and Arthur Kill Road Young Woodland communities. Each sampling plot will be 200 m<sup>2</sup> in size, in accordance with the ASTM estimated minimal areas for forested plots sampled using the Relevé method (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including indicators/evidence of wetland hydrology such as inundation, saturated soils, water marks, and water stained leaves.

*Maturing Woodland (15 acres)*

The Arden Heights Woodland was described by SCS Engineers as an upland late-successional forest predominantly vegetated with pin oak, gray birch, sassafras, and big-tooth aspen (*Populus grandidentata*) (SCS Engineers 1990). This area was also noted as having several small ponds throughout the community, with small amounts of wetland species surrounding these water features. Field investigations performed by AES in 2003 confirmed the characterization of this area made by SCS Engineers.

Vegetative and other applicable parameters will be documented at 5 sampling plots throughout the Arden Heights Maturing Woodland communities. Each sampling plot will be 200 m<sup>2</sup> in size, in accordance with the ASTM estimated minimal areas for forested plots sampled using the Relevé method (ASTM 1998). At each

sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including indicators/evidence of wetland hydrology such as inundation, saturated soils, water marks, and water stained leaves.

### *Phragmites-Dominated Field with Woody Vegetation (148 acres)*

The Phragmites Dominated Field with Woody Vegetation community represents the largest acreage on the site, with the exception of landfill mounds (AES 2003). As such, portions of this community, including the locations of the West Shore Expressway Landfill, will be surveyed at the more intensive level. The Arden Avenue Landfill area has been previously investigated as part of the Owl Hollow Parks Environmental Assessment Statement. These data also will be incorporated into this analysis, as appropriate.

Vegetative and other parameters will be documented at several sampling plots throughout this community, however, access limitations and overall applicability and need for intensive sampling may limit or influence the total number of plots that will be sampled. Best professional judgment will be used to select specific locations and total number of plots sampled. At a minimum, sampling locations will be selected within the areas identified by AES as the former Arden Avenue Landfill and West Shore Expressway Landfill. The areas identified as the Travis Landfill will also be assessed in the field to determine the need and extent for/of intensive sampling efforts. In accordance with ASTM guidelines, plots will be 100 m<sup>2</sup> in size (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including any observations of invasive species, or encroachment or significant spread of *Phragmites* into the community.

### *Non-Phragmites Dominated Field (22 acres)*

The Non-*Phragmites* Dominated Field community included areas of former landfill, and other areas associated with Mound 1/9 that were observed to be vegetated with various upland and wetland species including common wormwood (*Artemisia vulgaris*), common ragweed (*Ambrosia artemisiifolia*), with broad-leaved cattail (*Typha latifolia*), and several species of sedges and rushes in the wetter areas. This area was not field verified by AES in 2003 due to access restrictions.

Vegetative and other parameters will be documented at approximately 5 sampling plots throughout the Non-*Phragmites* Dominated Field community at the Fresh Kills Park site. Each sampling plot will be 100 m<sup>2</sup> in size, in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials estimated minimal areas for grassland plots sampled using the Relève' method (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including any observations of invasive species, or encroachment or significant spread of *Phragmites* into the community.

### *Grass/Forb Dominated Field (100 acres)*

Portions of the site described by SCS Engineers as Grass/Forb Dominated Field were associated with capped landfill areas, including Mound 1/9 and Mound 3/4. These areas were characterized as having been seeded with cool-season grasses, wildflowers, and native tree and shrub seed mixes. Field investigations performed by AES in 2003 confirmed that these areas were still vegetated with cool-season grasses, in addition to other legumes, mugwort, and *Phragmites* (AES 2003).

Vegetative parameters will be documented at several sampling plots throughout this community; however, access limitations may restrict the total number of plots to be sampled. Enough plots will be sampled to adequately verify previous ecological characterizations or to document any changes that may have occurred. Each sampling plot will be 100 m<sup>2</sup> in size, in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials estimated minimal areas for grassland plots sampled using the Relève' method (ASTM 1998). At each sampling plot, all applicable data will be collected as presented in the Fresh Kills Park Vegetative Survey Data

Form. Additional observations will be made as applicable and appropriate, including any observations of invasive species, or encroachment or significant spread of *Phragmites* into the community.

### **AREAS SELECTED FOR LESS INTENSIVE SURVEY**

Other vegetated habitats presented in Figure 3 will be surveyed in the field in order to verify ecological conditions previously described by SCS Engineers and AES. These areas mostly are planted or are comprised of areas significantly disturbed by *Phragmites*, or area areas whose conditions were not observed to have changed significantly between the time SCS Engineers investigated the site (1990) and AES performed their field surveys (2003). Specifically, these areas are mapped on Figure 3 as *Phragmites*-dominated Marsh, Palustrine Emergent (*Phragmites*-dominated), Sparse Pioneer Vegetation, *Phragmites*-dominated Field, *Phragmites*-dominated Field with Woody Vegetation, Shrub/Tree-dominated Planting, and Native Grass Dominated Species. Because of the disturbed nature of these communities, specific numbers of sampling plots have not been pre-identified. Best professional judgment will be used in order to determine an adequate number of sampling locations to represent each community. Areas associated with the landfill mounds also have been identified as requiring less intensive survey efforts. These areas will be reviewed in order to document existing conditions, however, multiple sampling plots will not be performed since these areas are not expected to possess significant ecological value and are programmed under the proposed Project for significant habitat restoration.

A field reconnaissance also will be performed within the Secondary Study Area (presented in Figure 2) to develop a general description of the natural resources within these areas. As deemed appropriate, based on best professional judgment, plots will be sampled within the Secondary Study Area to adequately describe these resources. As previously stated, sampling locations will be confirmed in the field using GPS technologies.

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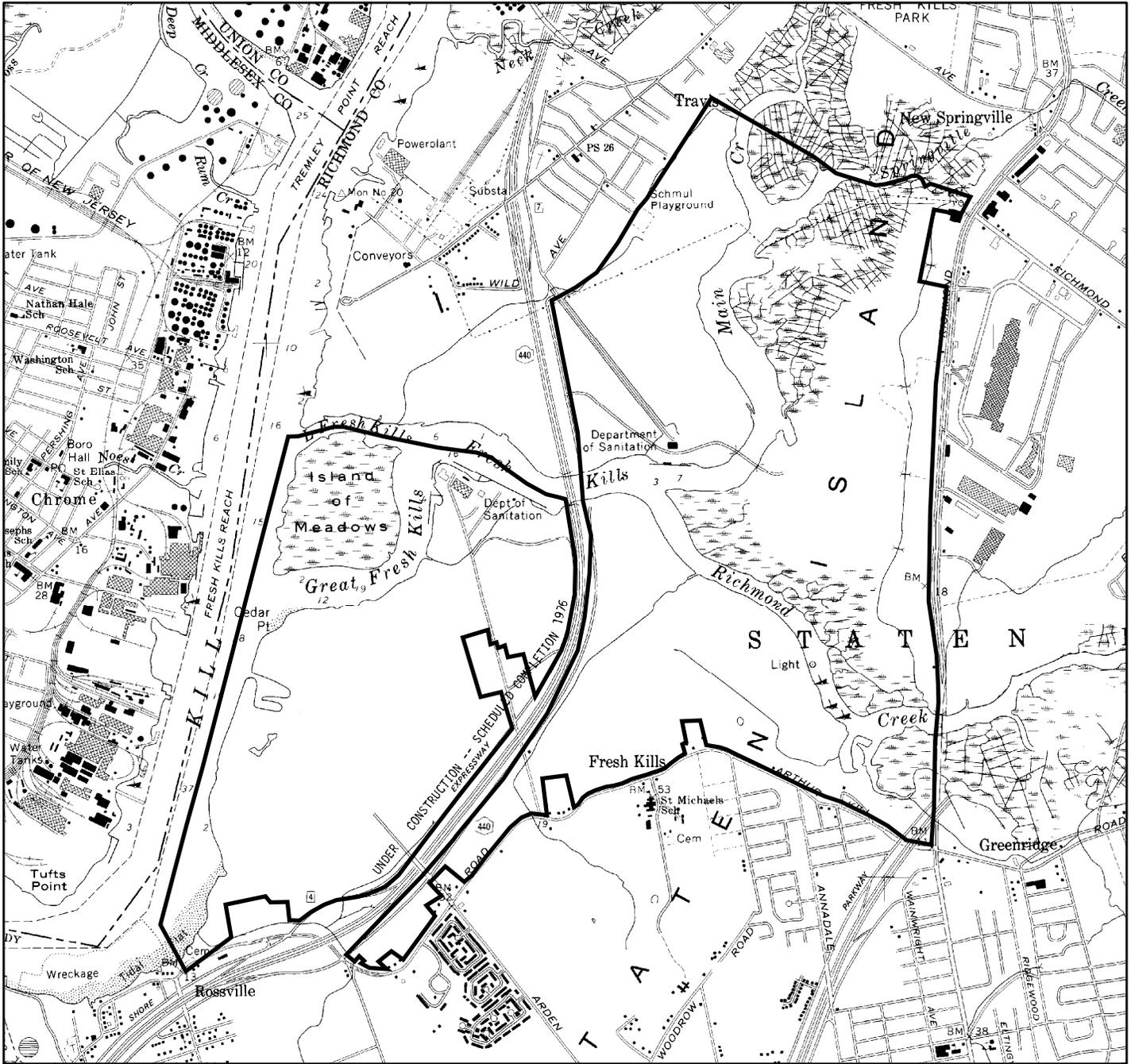
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**Figures**



 Project Site

Approximate coordinates of Project Site:  
 40° 34' 25.69" N, 74° 11' 23.04" W

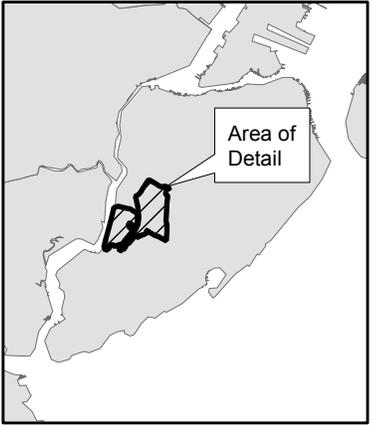
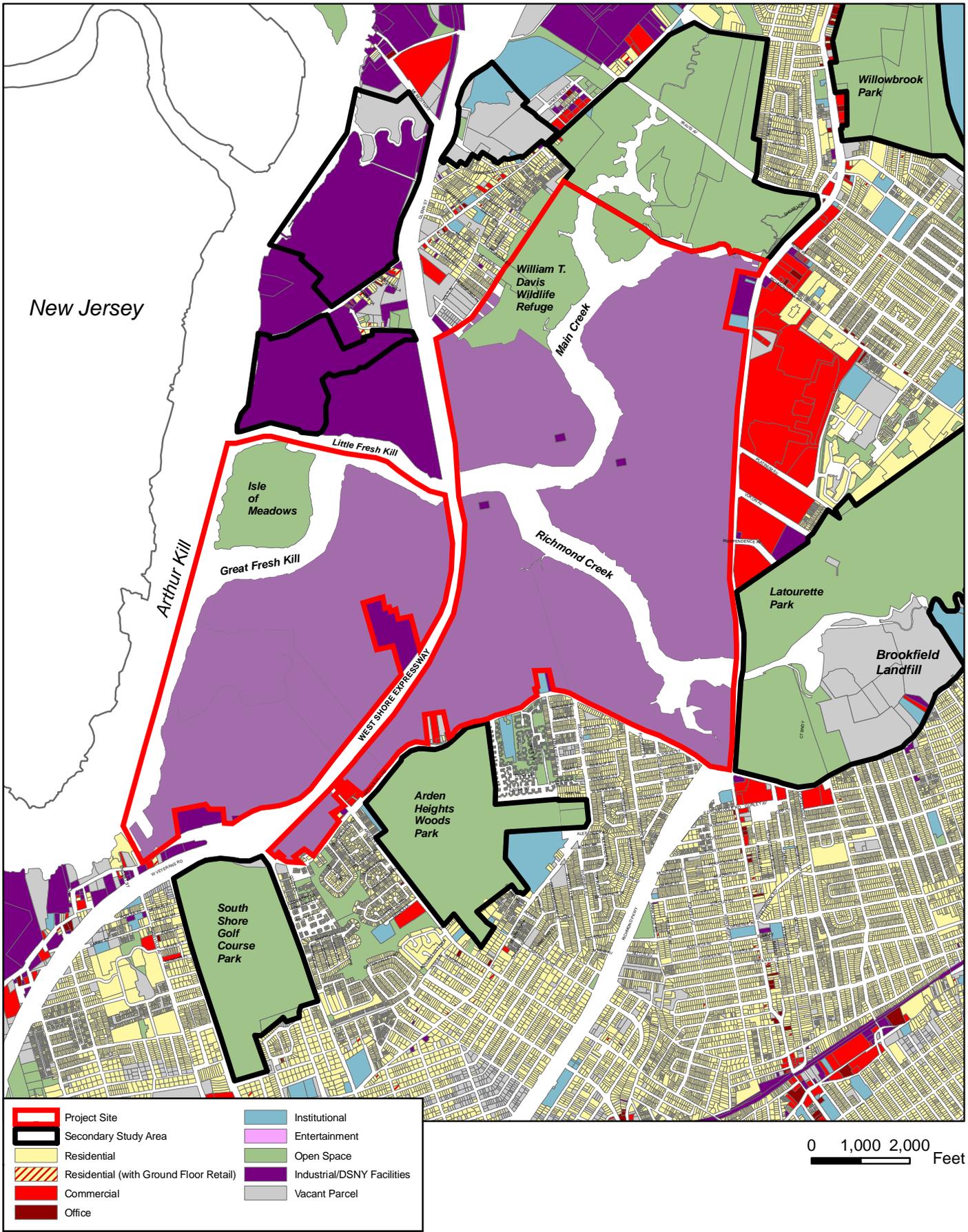
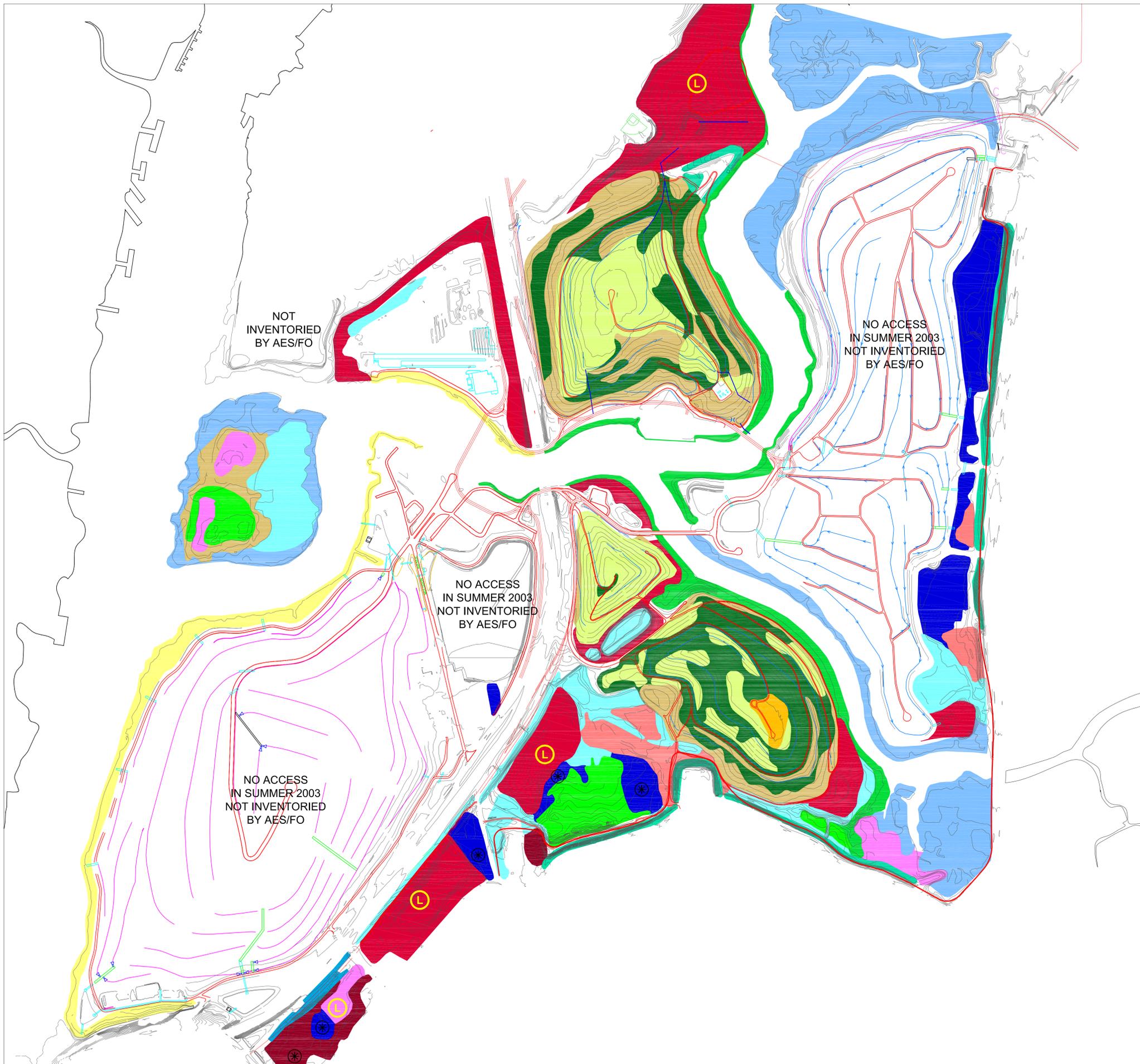


Figure 1. Fresh Kills Park Project Site  
 USGS Basemap - Arthur Kill Quad



**Figure 2 Primary and Secondary Natural Resources Study Areas**



**Legend**

**Wetland Communities**

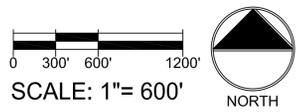
- Spartina*-dominated salt marsh  
166.64 Acres
- Scraped shoreline, some *Spartina*  
32.18 Acres
- Phragmites* dominated marsh  
41.56 Acres
- Palustrine emergent (*Phragmites* dominated)  
75.36 Acres
- Palustrine scrub-shrub and emergent  
(Non-*Phragmites* dominated)  
3.68 Acres
- Palustrine forested  
55.56 Acres

**Non-Wetland Communities**

- Sparse pioneer vegetation  
4.28 Acres
- Phragmites* dominated field  
97.13 Acres
- Non-*Phragmites* dominated field  
22.44 Acres
- Phragmites* dominated field  
with Woody Vegetation  
148.22 Acres
- Non-*Phragmites* dominated field  
with Woody Vegetation  
19.43 Acres
- Young Woodland  
30.76 Acres
- Maturing Woodland  
15.23 Acres
- Shrub/tree-dominated Planting  
27.81 Acres
- Native Grass Dominated Species  
103.71 Acres
- Weedy Species (e.g. Mugwort & cool  
season grasses) Dominated Areas  
99.86 Ac.

- L Uncapped Landfill Areas
- Areas not Inventoried

- Notes:
1. Maturing woods contain most mature upland woodlands on site.
  2. Palustrine forested areas are the least disturbed woodlands onsite; especially Muldoon Avenue wet woodland.
  3. Young woodland now (2003) more developed than in 1991; and thus closer to maturing woodlands.
  4. Arthur Kill Woodland (young woodland) contains wetland in low areas.
  5. More detailed mapping is found in the "Areas Dominated by Planted Native Grasses" and "Hydrology as Indicated by Vegetation Patterns"
  6. Most of Section 1/9 appeared to be unvegetated cover in summer 2003.



**FIGURE 3**  
**EXISTING VEGETATION MAP**  
(SOURCE: AES, INC. 2004)



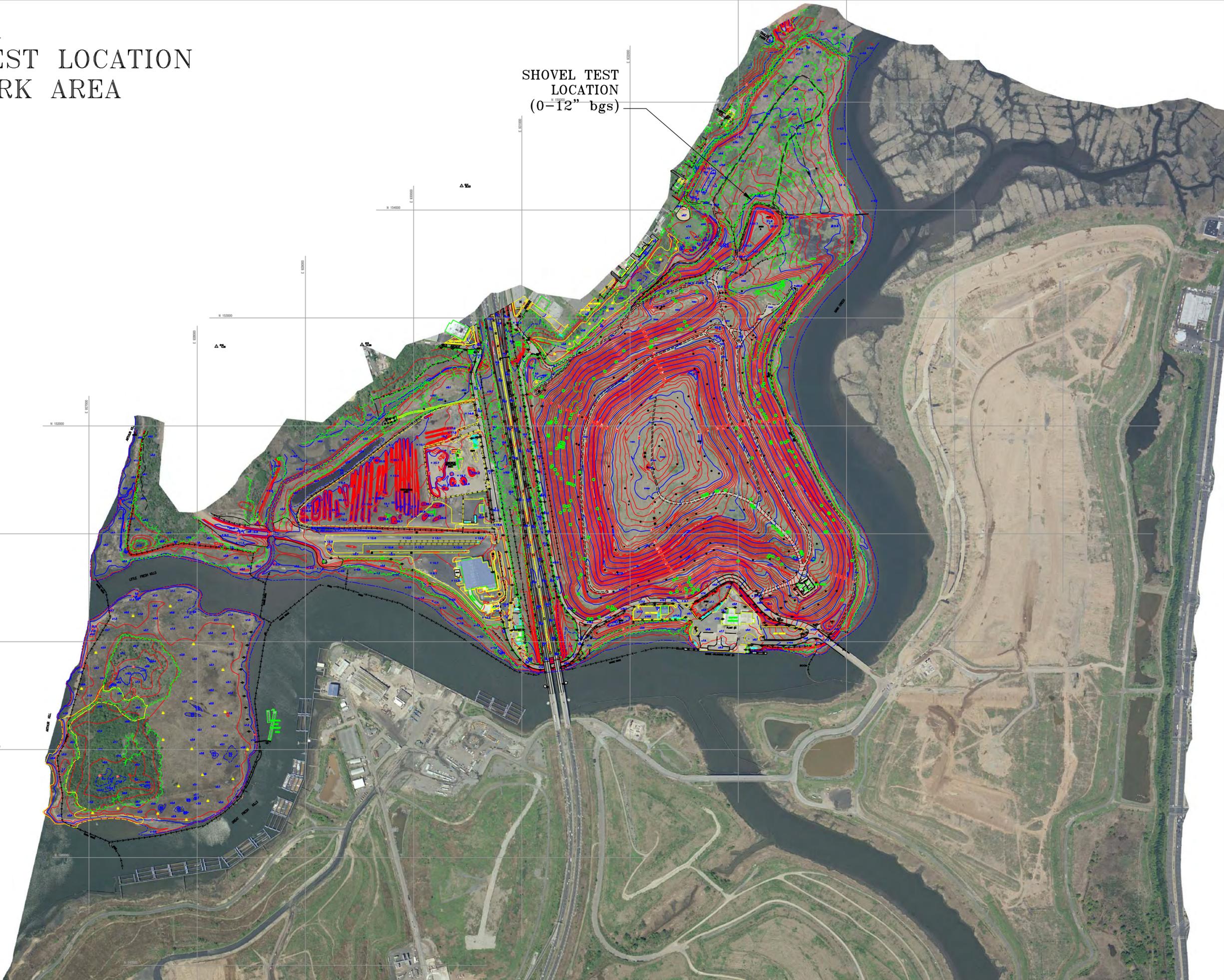


(Source: Arup 2007)

Figure 5. Proposed Road Improvements  
Fresh Kills Park Project

FIGURE 6A  
SHOVEL TEST LOCATION  
NORTH PARK AREA

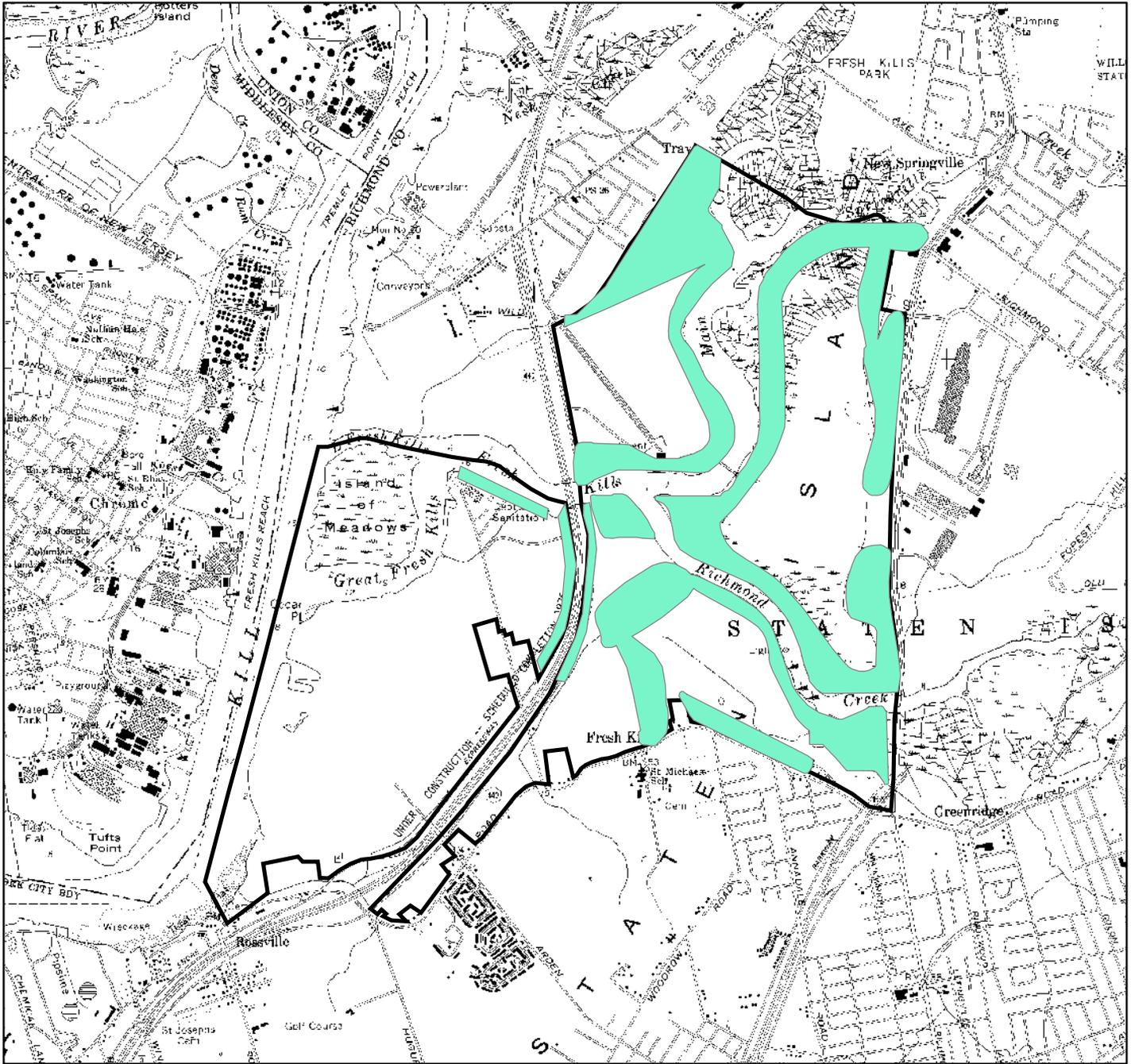
SHOVEL TEST  
LOCATION  
(0-12" bgs)





SHOVEL TEST  
LOCATIONS  
(0-12" bgs)

FIGURE 6B  
SHOVEL TEST LOCATIONS  
SOUTH PARK AREA



Short-term Project and Park Drives

Project Site

Approximate coordinates of Project Site:  
 40° 34' 25.69" N, 74° 11' 23.04" W

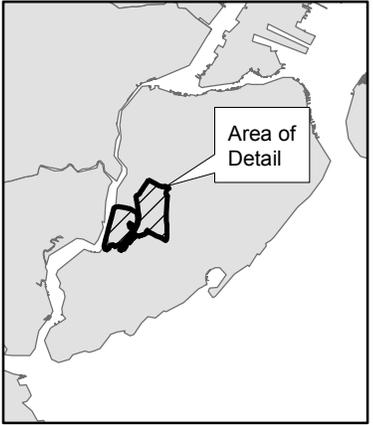
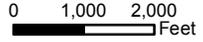


Figure 7. Approximate Locations of Short-term Projects, Including Wetland Restoration

**Attachment 1**

***Fresh Kills Park  
Natural Resources Survey Data Form***

**FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM**  
(Revised April 2007)

Transect/Plot ID#: _____	Date and Time: _____
Investigators: _____	Photo #: _____
Primary or Secondary Study Area? <span style="float: right;">Primary      Secondary</span>	General Location Description:
Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No</span>	GPS Location Description:
Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? <span style="float: right;"><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    <input type="checkbox"/> No</span>	Weather Conditions:
Level of Disturbance (explain below): <span style="float: right;">Light    Med.    Heavy</span>	
Remarks:	

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine		Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
	Riverine	Palustrine		Forested		

Dominant Plant Species		Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species		Stratum	Indicator
1				5			
2				6			
3				7			
4				8			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)		Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)		Stratum	Indicator
1				4			
2				5			
3				6			

Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100	Percent Canopy Cover:	0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Size of Plot:	DBH of Trees in Plot:						Percent Unvegetated Surface Area:	0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Number of Trees in Plot:	Explain: _____										

**HYDROLOGY**

<input type="checkbox"/> Recorded Data (describe in Remarks) <input type="checkbox"/> Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge <input type="checkbox"/> Aerial Photographs <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> No recorded data available	<b>Wetland Hydrology Indicators:</b> <i>Primary Indicators:</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Inundated <input type="checkbox"/> Saturated in Upper 12 inches <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Lines <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  <i>Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12" <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves <input type="checkbox"/> Local Soil Survey Data <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain in remarks)
Field Observations: Depth of Surface Water: _____ (in.) Depth to Free Water in Pit: _____ (in.) Depth to Saturated Soil: _____ (in.)	Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**

(Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



## Field Data Sheets (May)

FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
(Revised April 2007)

Transsect/Plot ID#: **1** Date and Time: **5/21 10:20**  
 Investigators: **Cloyton / Peck / Benth** Photo #: **10/1**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Remarks: **Sunny 68/overcast 10B**

VEGETATION		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subtidal	Emergent	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate
	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine
Dominant Plant Species	1 Phragmites	2 Phragmites	3 Phragmites	4 Phragmites	5 Phragmites	6 Phragmites	7 Phragmites	8 Phragmites	9 Phragmites	10 Phragmites	11 Phragmites	12 Phragmites	13 Phragmites
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):	-												
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Salt marsh fleabane, Primrose-willow												
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100							75-100
Size of Plot:	16-20"												
Number of Trees in Plot:	-												

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge

Inundated

Saturated in Upper 12 inches

Water Marks

Drip Lines

Sediment Deposits

Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Field Observations:

Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Remarks: **vegetated area adjacent to impoundment/low**

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**Snapping turtle**  
**Painted turtle**  
**Starling**  
**Cedar waxwing**  
**Yellow-rumped warbler**  
**Canada goose (w/ young)**  
**Mallard**  
**Killdeer**  
**6B Heron**



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: **2** Date and Time: **5/21 10:30**  
 Investigators: **Cloyton / Peck** Photo #: **10:30**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Remarks: **Sunny 68**

VEGETATION		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subtidal	Emergent	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate
	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine
Dominant Plant Species	1 Phragmites	2 Phragmites	3 Phragmites	4 Phragmites	5 Phragmites	6 Phragmites	7 Phragmites	8 Phragmites	9 Phragmites	10 Phragmites	11 Phragmites	12 Phragmites	13 Phragmites
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):	-												
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Locust, Groundsloth												
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100							75-100
Size of Plot:	16-20"												
Number of Trees in Plot:	10												

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge

Inundated

Saturated in Upper 12 inches

Water Marks

Drip Lines

Sediment Deposits

Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Field Observations:

Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Remarks: **Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**Egret**  
**morning dove**





FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transect/Plot ID#: **5**  
 Date and Time: **5/21**  
 Photo #: **1011**  
 General Location Description:  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary**  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Weather Conditions: **Sunny 70/overcast**  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** **Palustrine** **Estuarine** **Subsystem:** **Emergent** **Sublittoral** **Intertidal** **Forested**  
 Dominant Plant Species: **1. Canna-l** **2. Phrag** **3.** **4.**  
 Substrate: **H OBR** **H SAND**  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant): **1. Nove** **2. S. carn** **3. S. carn** **4. S. carn** **5. S. carn** **6. S. carn**  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: **0-1** **1-10** **10-25** **25-50** **50-75** **75-100**  
 Size of Plot: **25** **50** **75** **100**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **25** **50** **75** **100**  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: **0-3** (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks: **small PEM adjacent to road and OW w/ea**

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**Robin**  
**Grackle**  
**P.W. Blackbird**  
**Goldfinch**  
**Mudrow vole (dead)**  
**White-footed mouse (dead)**



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transect/Plot ID#: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date and Time: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Photo #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 General Location Description:  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Weather Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** **Palustrine** **Estuarine** **Subsystem:** **Emergent** **Sublittoral** **Intertidal** **Forested**  
 Dominant Plant Species: **1.** **2.** **3.** **4.**  
 Substrate: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant): **1.** **2.** **3.**  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Size of Plot: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Trees in Plot: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 6  
 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Photo #: 1011  
 General Location Description: clayton/peach  
 Secondary:  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 75° | overcast 68°

VEGETATION		Subsystem		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System	Upland	Estuarine	Palustrine	Emergent	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Indicator
Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator				
1	Crow's foot Bush	5	FACW	H	FACW	5	H	H	FAC-
2	B. Cherry	3	FACW	H	FACW	6	H	H	FAC
3	Cottonwood	5	FAC	S	FAC	7	S	S	FAC
4	Knotweed	4	FACW	H	FACW	8	H	H	FAC-

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-16"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12

HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: wetland hydrology not present

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
Painted turtle  
Snapping turtle



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 7  
 Date and Time: 5/20/11:49  
 Photo #: 1011  
 General Location Description: NE Portion of Site  
 Secondary:  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny

VEGETATION		Subsystem		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System	Upland	Estuarine	Palustrine	Emergent	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Substrate	Indicator
Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator				
1	Phragmites	5	FACW	H	FACW	5	H	H	FACW
2	Knotweed	3	FACW	H	FACW	6	H	H	FAC
3	Mulberry	5	WAV	S	WAV	7	S	S	FACW
4	Box Elder	4	FAC	T	FAC	8	T	T	FACW

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 8-16"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 6

HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: emergent (scrubshrub) area near stream

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)





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Transsect/Plot ID#: 10 Date and Time: 5/21/07 12:10  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck Photo #: 101107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary General Location Description: Tidal Marsh Area  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No  Yes  No  Heavy  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  Med.  Heavy  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Survey 760

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Wetland/landfill

Cowardin System	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
1						H	5
2						FAW	6
3						S	7
4							8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Phragmites  
 2 Cobaltus  
 3 Groundsel

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Remarks: Upper limits of tidal wetland

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
American Woodcock



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 11 Date and Time: 5/21/07 12:30  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck / Clouston / Bernick Photo #: 101107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary General Location Description: Northern Tidal Marsh  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No  Heavy  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  Med.  Light  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Survey 760

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Wetland/landfill

Cowardin System	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
1						H	5
2						FAW	6
3						S	7
4							8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Salt marsh water hemp  
 2 H  
 3 OBL

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Remarks: tidal marsh

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 12 Date and Time: 5/21/07 1:00  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck Clayton/Bernick Photo #: 10/11/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 77°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Subsystem: Estuarine Substratum: Palustrine  
 Emergent: Scrub-Shrub Forested: Forest  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Candfield/Wetland

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1 <u>Mulberry</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>NPL</u>	5 <u>Mycorrhiz</u>	<u>H</u>	-
2 <u>Tree of Heaven</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FAC</u>	6		
3 <u>Cottonwood</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FAC</u>	7		
4 <u>Brown Pellets</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>	8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Salt marsh water hemp H DBL  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 12-16"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 5

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stamped Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Thick Skimmer E. Mockingbird Mallard  
Goldfinch Herring Gull  
T. Vulture Osprey

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: B Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck Clayton/Bernick Photo #: 10/11/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 78°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Subsystem: Estuarine Substratum: Palustrine  
 Emergent: Scrub-Shrub Forested: Forest  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Wetland

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1 <u>S. Alternation</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>OSC</u>	5		
2 <u>S. patens</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>OSC</u>	7		
3			8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Salt marsh water hemp H DBL  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: NA  
 Number of Trees in Plot: NA

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stamped Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Tidal marsh

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 14 Date and Time: 13:38 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/peach Photo #: 1011107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): adjacent to landfill road  
 Remarks: adjacent to landfill road  
 Weather Conditions: sunny 82°

**VEGETATION**  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: landfill

Cowardin System:	Upland	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Emergent	Intertidal	<u>Mulberry</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>5</u>
2	Rivine	Scrub-Shrub		<u>Fraxinus</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>6</u>
3	Palustrine	Forested		<u>Fraxinus</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>7</u>
4				<u>Aster</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>8</u>

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Common sunflower Indicator 4  
 2 beggar ticks sp. Indicator 5  
 3 Indicator 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 100 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-16"  
 Size of Plot: 100 3  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 3

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Strained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Remarks: Wetland hydrology not present

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 15 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/peach Photo #: 1011107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Shoreline  
 Remarks: Shoreline  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny

**VEGETATION**  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wetland/landfill

Cowardin System:	Upland	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Emergent	Intertidal	<u>Phragmites</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>5</u>
2	Rivine	Scrub-Shrub				<u>6</u>
3	Palustrine	Forested				<u>7</u>
4						<u>8</u>

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Common sunflower Indicator 4  
 2 beggar ticks sp. Indicator 5  
 3 Indicator 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 25 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25  
 Size of Plot: \_\_\_\_\_ Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Trees in Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Strained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Remarks: May-dominated shoreline

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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northern harrier  
osprey  
turkey vulture  
palm warbler  
common yellowthroat



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **16** Date and Time: **5/24/07**  
 Investigators: **Clayton / Peck / Ryan / Bernick** Photo #: **1011167**  
 Primary of Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **adjacent to landfill road**  
 Remarks: **adjacent to landfill road**  
 Weather Conditions: **sunny 80°**

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Subsystem: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested  
 Substrate: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **upland area adjacent to shoreline wetland**

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1 <b>Muhlenberg Tree of Heaven</b>	<b>ST</b>	<b>WAL</b>		
2 <b>Common Sunflower</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>FAC-</b>		
3 <b>beiggar ticks</b>	<b>H</b>			
4				

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Common Sunflower** Stratum **H** Indicator **FAC-**  
 2 **beiggar ticks** Stratum **H** Indicator  
 3  
 4  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Common Sunflower** Stratum **H** Indicator **FAC-**  
 2 **beiggar ticks** Stratum **H** Indicator  
 3  
 4

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **17** Date and Time: **5/24/07**  
 Investigators: **Clayton / Peck / Ryan / Bernick** Photo #: **1011167**  
 Primary of Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Stormwater basin**  
 Remarks: **Stormwater basin**  
 Weather Conditions: **sunny 80°**

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Subsystem: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested  
 Substrate: **Upland** Estuarine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **developed Stormwater Basin**

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1 <b>beiggar ticks</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>FAC-</b>		
2 <b>Muhlenberg</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>FAC</b>		
3 <b>Wolf Creeper</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>FAC</b>		
4 <b>Cottoneaster</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>FAC</b>		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Salt marsh fleabane** Stratum **H** Indicator **NI**  
 2 **Cockle burr** Stratum **H** Indicator **FAC**  
 3  
 4  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Salt marsh fleabane** Stratum **H** Indicator **NI**  
 2 **Cockle burr** Stratum **H** Indicator **FAC**  
 3  
 4

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**Egrets, Mallard, N. Shoveler, east sandpiper, Hudsonian godwit, northern pintail, American green-winged teal, Canada goose, Ring-billed gull, mallard, Savannah sparrow, gadwall, American kestrel**



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **18** Date and Time: **5/16/07**  
 Photo #: **1011107**  
 General Location Description: **Clayton/Peach Clayton/Bernick**  
 Secondary Description: **Smaller impoundment**  
 GPS Location: **40° 34' 52.6"**  
 Longitude: **74° 11' 23.1"**  
 Weather Conditions: **Sunny 80**

Investigators: **Clayton/Peach Clayton/Bernick**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Yes  No   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? **Yes** Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? **Yes** Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Smaller impoundment Riprap**  
 Remarks: **Sunny 80**

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
	Rivine	Palustrine	Forested		
Dominant Plant Species					
1			H	UPL	Indicator 5
2			T	FACW	Indicator 6
3			H		Indicator 7
4					Indicator 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **White thornflower** H FAC  
 2 **black locust** T FACU-  
 3 **seaside goldenrod** H FACW  
 4 **small white aster** H FAC  
 5 **rough leaved goldenrod** H FAC  
 6 **goldenrod spp.**

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **blue-winged teal, mullowd, northern shoveler, gadwall, northern pintail, blue-winged teal, American black duck, greater yellowlegs, lesser yellowlegs, Killdeer**



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **19** Date and Time: **5/16/07**  
 Photo #: **1011107**  
 General Location Description: **Clayton/Peach Clayton/Bernick**  
 Secondary Description: **Central portion of site**  
 GPS Location: **40° 34' 52.6"**  
 Longitude: **74° 11' 23.1"**  
 Weather Conditions: **Sunny 80**

Investigators: **Clayton/Peach Clayton/Bernick**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Yes  No   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? **Yes** Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? **Yes** Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Mudflats w/ vegetation shoreline**  
 Remarks: **Sunny 80**

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
	Rivine	Palustrine	Forested		
Dominant Plant Species					
1			H	OBL	Indicator 5
2			S	FACW	Indicator 6
3					Indicator 7
4					Indicator 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: Explain: **100 3-12"**

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **B.C. Night heron, whimbrel**



Transsect/Plot ID#: 20 Date and Time: 5/20/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/reech Clayton/Bernick Photo #: 10/1107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Med. Heavy  
 Remarks: Sunny 82°

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Stagnant Subtidal: Emergent Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Wetland/Carb  
 Palustrine: Palustrine Lacustrine: Palustrine Subsystem: Emergent Scrub-Shrub: Palustrine Forested: Palustrine  
 Riveline: Palustrine Palustrine: Palustrine

Dominant Plant Species

Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<u>H</u>	<u>Phragmites</u>	5	
2			6	
3			7	
4			8	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Stratum Indicator: 4 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)  
 2 Stratum Indicator: 5  
 3 Stratum Indicator: 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-5 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
Glossy Ibis



Wildlife observed between points 20 and 21:  
 turkey vulture, osprey, savannah sparrow, palm warbler,  
 herring gull, American goldfinch, house finch, great blue heron,  
 greater yellowlegs, northern harrier, swamp sparrow, song sparrow

Transsect/Plot ID#: 21 Date and Time: 14:14 5/20/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/reech Clayton/Bernick Photo #: 10/1107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Med. Heavy  
 Remarks: Richmond Creek Shoreline

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Stagnant Subtidal: Emergent Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Spartina dominated shoreline  
 Palustrine: Palustrine Lacustrine: Palustrine Subsystem: Emergent Scrub-Shrub: Palustrine Forested: Palustrine  
 Riveline: Palustrine Palustrine: Palustrine

Dominant Plant Species

Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<u>H</u>	<u>OBL</u>	5	
2			6	
3			7	
4			8	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Stratum Indicator: 4 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)  
 2 Stratum Indicator: 5  
 3 Stratum Indicator: 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
fiddler crabs



Wildlife observed between points 20 and 21:  
 turkey vulture, osprey, savannah sparrow, palm warbler,  
 herring gull, American goldfinch, house finch, great blue heron,  
 greater yellowlegs, northern harrier, swamp sparrow, song sparrow

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Transsect/Plot ID#: 22 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reh Photo #: 10/11/07  
 General Location Description: Richmond Creek  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Esuaine Subtidal: Emergent Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested  
 Subsystem: Palustrine Forested  
 Dominant Plant Species: Sparganium angustifolium Sagittaria H. FAW H. OBL  
 Indicator: 5 6 7 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 Salt marsh water hemp H OBL  
 2 Umbrella Sedge H FACW  
 3 Purple loosestrife H FACW

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 Pennsylvania smartweed H FACW

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-6 (in)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated   
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches   
 Water Stained Leaves   
 Local Soil Survey Data   
 FAC-Neutral Test   
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"   
 Water-Soaked Leaves   
 Local Soil Survey Data   
 FAC-Neutral Test   
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: low marsh

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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Geese - This



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 23 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reh Photo #: 10/11/07  
 General Location Description: Clayton/Bernick  
 GPS Location Description: South tip of Camp Hill  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sparging dom. water marsh

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Esuaine Subtidal: Emergent Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested  
 Subsystem: Palustrine Forested  
 Dominant Plant Species: S. rigida S. alterniflora H. FAW H. OBL  
 Indicator: 5 6 7 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 Salt marsh water hemp H OBL  
 2 Umbrella Sedge H FACW  
 3 Purple loosestrife H FACW

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 Pennsylvania smartweed H FACW

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-6 (in)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated   
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches   
 Water Stained Leaves   
 Local Soil Survey Data   
 FAC-Neutral Test   
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"   
 Water-Soaked Leaves   
 Local Soil Survey Data   
 FAC-Neutral Test   
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: low marsh

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

Canada goose  
American black duck  
American goldfinch  
Savannah sparrow  
Song sparrow  
Common yellowthroat  
Gray catbird  
Killdeer



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Transcript/Plot ID#: 24 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Claughton/Reich Photo #: 10/1107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary General Location Description: SE part of site  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No  Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  Med.  Light   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Emergent Subtidal Intertidal Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: upland/wetland  
 Palustrine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Ruvine Palustrine  
 Subsystem: Emergent Sub-Shrub Forested  
 Dominant Plant Species: Spartina Spartina PHRA  
 1 H OB 5 50-75 75-100  
 2 S 6 50-75 50-75 75-100  
 3 H 7 25-50 25-50 50-75  
 4 H 8 0-25 0-25 50-75  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 4  
 2 5  
 3 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 100 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge 0-3  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations: Depth to Surface Water: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators: Primary Indicators: W 1 2 3 4 5 6  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches W  
 Water Marks W  
 Drift Lines W  
 Sediment Deposits W  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands W  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks: Tidal Channel 10'

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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Transcript/Plot ID#: 25 Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Investigators: Claughton/Reich Photo #: 10/1107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary General Location Description: East of Landsfill Marsh  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No  Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  Med.  Light   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Emergent Subtidal Intertidal Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wetland/upland  
 Palustrine Lacustrine Palustrine  
 Ruvine Palustrine  
 Subsystem: Emergent Sub-Shrub Forested  
 Dominant Plant Species: Phrag Phrag Phrag Phrag  
 1 H AW 5 50-75 75-100  
 2 H 6 50-75 50-75 75-100  
 3 H 7 25-50 25-50 50-75  
 4 H 8 0-25 0-25 50-75  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 4  
 2 5  
 3 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 100 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations: Depth to Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators: Primary Indicators: W 1 2 3 4 5 6  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches W  
 Water Marks W  
 Drift Lines W  
 Sediment Deposits W  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands W  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 78 Date and Time: 5/11/07  
 Photo #: 5/11/07  
 General Location Description: Confluence  
 GPS Location Description: Sunny 800  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 800

Investigator: Clayton/John  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Cobios + Riprap shoreline

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1					<u>S. alterniflora</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>FAW</u>	<u>developed</u>
2					<u>H</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>-</u>	
3								
4								

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. 4 Stratum: Indicator  
 2. 5 Stratum: Indicator  
 3. 6 Stratum: Indicator

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-6 (in)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
Night Heron



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 29 Date and Time: 5/22  
 Photo #: 5/22  
 General Location Description: South Park Area  
 GPS Location Description: 68° 34' 35.2" 79° 11' 09.2"  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 708

Investigator: Clayton/John  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1					<u>M. floridana</u>	<u>M</u>	<u>FAW</u>	<u>Mixed Marsh</u>
2					<u>S. alterniflora</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>OBL</u>	<u>Wetland</u>
3								
4								

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. 4 Stratum: Indicator  
 2. 5 Stratum: Indicator  
 3. 6 Stratum: Indicator

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-4 (in)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 30 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Peck Photo #: Richmond Creek  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Shoreline Weather Conditions: Sunny 78°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Palustrine Rivine Estuarine Palustrine Laustine Pallustrine  
 Emergent Subsistem: Forested Stratum Indicator Substratum Indicator Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:  
 Dominant Plant Species: D. alterniflora H OBL Spargina dominata (cut prairie) Curdts #11  
 1 5 6  
 2 7  
 3 8  
 4  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 4 Indicator  
 2 5 Indicator  
 3 6 Indicator  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 26 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 26 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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Transect/Plot ID#: 31 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Peck Photo #: Richmond Creek  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Lebens Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Palustrine Rivine Estuarine Palustrine Laustine Pallustrine  
 Emergent Subsistem: Forested Stratum Indicator Substratum Indicator Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:  
 Dominant Plant Species: T. nemoralis H OBL Spargina dominata (cut prairie) Curdts #11  
 1 5 6  
 2 7  
 3 8  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 4 Indicator  
 2 5 Indicator  
 3 6 Indicator  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 27 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: 4-12"

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 32 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman/Leach Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Small isolated young woodlands edge adjacent to job

Upward Cowardin System: Upland Estuarine Upland Subtidal Intertidal  
 Palustrine Palustrine Lacustrine Lacustrine Emergent Emergent  
 Riveine Riveine Palustrine Palustrine Scrub-Shrub Scrub-Shrub  
 Forested Forested

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum
1 <u>Pinus strobus</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>Pinus strobus</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>H</u>
2 <u>Quercus</u>	<u>6</u>		<u>Quercus</u>	<u>6</u>	
3 <u>Acer</u>	<u>7</u>		<u>Acer</u>	<u>7</u>	
4 <u>Thuja</u>	<u>8</u>		<u>Thuja</u>	<u>8</u>	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 None 4 None 5 None 6 None  
 2 None 5 None 6 None  
 3 None 6 None

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25x25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25 Explain: None

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 33 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman/Leach Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Small isolated young woodlands edge adjacent to job

Upward Cowardin System: Upland Estuarine Upland Subtidal Intertidal  
 Palustrine Palustrine Lacustrine Lacustrine Emergent Emergent  
 Riveine Riveine Palustrine Palustrine Scrub-Shrub Scrub-Shrub  
 Forested Forested

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum
1 <u>Saxifraga</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>Saxifraga</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>T</u>
2 <u>Olive</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>Olive</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>S</u>
3 <u>Alder</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>Alder</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>S</u>
4 <u>Willow</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>Willow</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>H</u>

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 None 4 None 5 None 6 None  
 2 None 5 None 6 None  
 3 None 6 None

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 20x20 DBH of Trees in Plot: 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 20 Explain: None

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 35 Clayton/peach Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Photo #: 10/1107  
 General Location Description: Open water area  
 GPS Location Description: Central  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 77°

Investigators: 35 Clayton/peach Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Med. Heavy

Remarks:

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine		Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Riverine	Palustrine		Forested		
1				Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
2						
3						
4						
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):						
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)						
1				Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
2						
3						
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Size of Plot:	DBH of Trees in Plot:		0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Number of Trees in Plot:	Percent Unvegetated Surface Area:		0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Explain:						

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Large open water pond

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

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Transsect/Plot ID#: 35 Clayton/peach Date and Time: 5/21/07  
 Photo #: 10/1107  
 General Location Description: Central  
 GPS Location Description: Central  
 Weather Conditions: 74° 11' 32.8"

Investigators: 35 Clayton/peach Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Med. Heavy

Remarks:

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine		Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Riverine	Palustrine		Forested		
1				Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
2						
3						
4						
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):						
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)						
1				Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
2						
3						
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Size of Plot:	DBH of Trees in Plot:		0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Number of Trees in Plot:	Percent Unvegetated Surface Area:		0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Explain:						

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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3 juvenile rodents (probably white footed mouse)

Bernick/Clayton American green-winged teal  
Snapping turtle Mute swan  
Spring Peeper red-bellied woodpecker  
marsh wren northern flicker  
mourning warbler Killdeer  
northern mockingbird least sand piper  
gray Catbird Wilson's phalarope

Swamp sparrow  
northern cardinal  
European starling  
American robin  
blue jay  
American kestrel

Between points 35 and 36a

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Transect/Plot ID#: 36 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman / Fresh Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: Summary 280

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Riverine	Palustrine	Forested			
1	<u>Tree of Heaven</u>		<u>T</u>			
2	<u>Phragmites</u>		<u>H</u>			
3	<u>Yellow Iris</u>		<u>H</u>			
4	<u>Phragmites</u>		<u>H</u>			
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):						
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)						
1						
2						
3						
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Size of Plot:						
Number of Trees in Plot:						

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

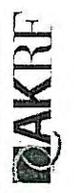
Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 37 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman / Fresh Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: Richmond Crk. Shoreline

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Riverine <td>Palustrine <td>Forested</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </td>	Palustrine <td>Forested</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td>	Forested			
1	<u>Spartina</u>		<u>M</u>			
2	<u>Marsh w/</u>		<u>00L</u>			
3	<u>other</u>					
4	<u>SP.</u>					
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):						
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)						
1						
2						
3						
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
Size of Plot:						
Number of Trees in Plot:						

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

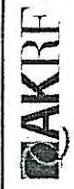
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Tidal marsh area along shoreline

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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geese, ibis



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Transect/Plot ID#: 39 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman/Reich General Location Description: SE portion  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 800

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Phragmites dominated

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Laetostirne	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal		
1						<u>H FACW</u>	<u>5</u>
2						<u>H FACW</u>	<u>6</u>
3						<u>H FACW</u>	<u>7</u>
4						<u>T FACW</u>	<u>8</u>

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. 4  
 2. 5  
 3. 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 38 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Chapman/Reich General Location Description: SE portion of site  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Phragmites - dominated

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Laetostirne	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal		
1						<u>H FACW</u>	<u>5</u>
2							<u>6</u>
3							<u>7</u>
4							<u>8</u>

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. 4  
 2. 5  
 3. 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-1 (ft.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (ft.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
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Transect/Plot ID#: **40** Date and Time: **5/22/07**  
 Investigators: **Chuyton / Tech** Photo #: **5/22/07**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? **Yes**  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? **Yes**  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  Med  Heavy   
 Remarks: **Some Stormwater Management Basin** Weather Conditions: **Sunny 28°**

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
Upland	Palustrine	Riverine	Forest	Intertidal	1 <b>Madwort</b>	H	H	Phrag - dominated
	Lacustrine	Subsystem:	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	2 <b>Phragmites</b>	H	OBL	
	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Intertidal	3 <b>Tree of Heaven</b>	H	FACW	
					4 <b>Black locust</b>	H	FACW	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 1 **Madwort** 5  
 2 **Phragmites** 6  
 3 **Tree of Heaven** 7  
 4 **Black locust** 8

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Madwort** 4  
 2 **Phragmites** 5  
 3 **Tree of Heaven** 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: **100** DBH of Trees in Plot: **10-16**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **6**

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stamped Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: **H** Date and Time: **5/22/07**  
 Investigators: **Chuyton / Tech** Photo #: **5/22/07**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? **Yes**  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? **Yes**  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  Med  Heavy   
 Remarks: **Phrag dominated w/ woody veg** Weather Conditions: **Sunny 79°**

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
Upland	Palustrine	Riverine	Forest	Intertidal	1 <b>Madwort</b>	H	H	Phrag dominated
	Lacustrine	Subsystem:	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	2 <b>Willow</b>	H	FACW	w/ woody veg
	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Intertidal	3 <b>Tree of Heaven</b>	H	FAC	developed
					4 <b>Phragmites</b>	H	FACW	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 1 **Madwort** 5  
 2 **Willow** 6  
 3 **Tree of Heaven** 7  
 4 **Phragmites** 8

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Madwort** 4  
 2 **Willow** 5  
 3 **Tree of Heaven** 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: **100** DBH of Trees in Plot: **1-3**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **23**

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stamped Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)





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Transsect/Plot ID#: 44 Date and Time: 5/26/07 10:11:07  
 Investigators: Clayton Green Photo #: Shoreline  
 Primary of Secondary Study Area? Clayton Green General Location Description: Shoreline  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Med. Heavy  
 Remarks: Attain Kill Shoreline Weather Conditions: Sunny fl / overcast 68°F

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Cowditch

VEGETATION

Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Substrate	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Substrate	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>H OAL</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Riverine	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Substrate	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>H green</u>	<u>6</u>	
					<u>J</u>	<u>7</u>	
					<u>B.ichon's</u>	<u>8</u>	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-I):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 4  
 2 5  
 3 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain:

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-6 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:  
Osprey  
Muskrat  
herring gull  
great black-backed gull  
godwall  
red-winged black-bird



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Transect/Plot ID#: 43 Date and Time: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/ree  
 General Location Description: Arthur's 70 Shoreline  
 GPS Location Description: 40° 34' 01" 72° 12' 57"  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 82°

Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sandy/rocky intertidal zone

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Estuaries Subsystem: Palustrine Subsystem: Palustrine Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Mixed marsh  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Palustrine Palustrine  
 Dominant Plant Species: Hydrocotyle Phragmites Spartina Spartina  
 Stratum: H H S S Indicator: 5 6 7 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. Hydrocotyle Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina  
 2. Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina Spartina  
 3. Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina Spartina

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-3 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 46 Date and Time: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/ree  
 General Location Description: Arthur's 70 Shoreline  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Weather Conditions:

Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**

Upland: Estuaries Subsystem: Palustrine Subsystem: Palustrine Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Mixed marsh  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Palustrine Palustrine  
 Dominant Plant Species: Hydrocotyle Phragmites Spartina Spartina  
 Stratum: H H S S Indicator: 5 6 7 8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. Hydrocotyle Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina  
 2. Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina Spartina  
 3. Phragmites Spartina Spartina Spartina Spartina

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-6 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 41 Date and Time: 5/22/07 10:11:07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reech Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Early rocky shoreline  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny so / overcast  
 General Location Description: Arthur Kill  
 GPS Location Description:

VEGETATION

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Mixed marsh

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	Stratum	Stratum
	Riverine	Palustrine	Forested			
1			H			5
2			S			6
3			H			7
4						8

Dominant Plant Species: Spartina, Phragmites, Phragmites

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1		4
2		5
3		6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-2 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 Drift Lines  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: hermit thrush  
Norway rat  
red-tailed hawk  
ring-necked pheasant

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 42 Date and Time: 5/22/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reech Photo #: 5/22/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Shoreline of Arthur Kill  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 81°  
 General Location Description: Arthur Kill  
 GPS Location Description:

VEGETATION

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Mixed marsh

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	Stratum	Stratum
	Riverine	Palustrine	Forested			
1			H			5
2			S			6
3			H			7
4						8

Dominant Plant Species: Spartina, Phragmites, Phragmites

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1		4
2		5
3		6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: 0-6 (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 Drift Lines  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Geese, brants

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 49  
 Date and Time: 5/23/07 10:10:07  
 Photo #: 101107  
 Investigators: Clayton / Tech  
 General Location Description: Main Creek  
 GPS Location: 48° 35' 17" N 74° 10' 9" W  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 75° / 68° F  
 Remarks: Shoreline (Main Creek)

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	5		
2	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	6		
3	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	7		
4	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	8		

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Landfill

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1 willow oak		
2 pitch pine		
3		

Percent of Dominant Species Present (Not Dominant):

Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)
4		
5		
6		

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25  
 Size of Plot: 25  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge:   
 Aerial Photographs:   
 Other:   
 No recorded data available:

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated:   
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches:   
 Water Marks:   
 Drift Lines:   
 Sediment Deposits:   
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands:

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12":   
 Water-Stained Leaves:   
 Local Soil Survey Data:   
 FAC-Neutral Test:   
 Other (explain in remarks):

Remarks: Black Skimmer, American Kestrel, red-winged blackbird, brown headed Cowbird, laughing gull, ring billed gull, northern harrier, Savannah Sparrow

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 50  
 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: 101107  
 Investigators: Clayton / Tech  
 General Location Description: Main Creek  
 GPS Location: 48° 35' 17" N 74° 10' 9" W  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 75°  
 Remarks: Main Creek Shoreline Area

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	5		
2	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	6		
3	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	7		
4	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forested	H	FACU	8		

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Landfill/development

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1		
2		
3		

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25  
 Size of Plot: 100  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-12  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 3

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge:   
 Aerial Photographs:   
 Other:   
 No recorded data available:

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated:   
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches:   
 Water Marks:   
 Drift Lines:   
 Sediment Deposits:   
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands:

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12":   
 Water-Stained Leaves:   
 Local Soil Survey Data:   
 FAC-Neutral Test:   
 Other (explain in remarks):

Remarks: Near upland/wetland transition

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 51 Date and Time: 5/23/07

Investigators: Clayton/John Photo #: 1010107

Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary

Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No

Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No

Level of Disturbance (explain below): Med

Remarks: Ma'n Creek/ Richmond Crk.

**VEGETATION**

Upland  Estuarine  Subtidal  Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: developed

Palustrine  Lacustrine  Intertidal  bulkheaded and natural shorelines

Riverine  Palustrine  Forested

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1 Phragmites	H	FAW	5		
2 S. alterniflora	H	OBL	6		
3 Baccharis	S	FAW	7		
4 Raspberry	S	WPL	8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1			4		
2			5		
3			6		

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

Number of Trees in Plot: 100 Explain: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)

Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge

Aerial Photographs

Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:

Depth of Surface Water: 0-6ft (in.)

Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators:

Inundated

Saturated in Upper 12 inches

Water Marks

Drift Lines

Sediment Deposits

Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):

Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"

Water-Soaked Leaves

Local Soil Survey Data

FAC-Neutral Test

Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**

(Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

B.C. Night Heron



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 52 Date and Time: 5/23/07

Investigators: Clayton/John Photo #: 1010107

Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary

Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No

Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No

Level of Disturbance (explain below): Med

Remarks: former stormwater basin

**VEGETATION**

Upland  Estuarine  Subtidal  Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: former stormwater basin

Palustrine  Lacustrine  Intertidal

Riverine  Palustrine  Forested

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1 Mangrove	H	-	5		
2 Sideroad	H	FAW	6		
3 Cottonwood	T	FAW	7		
4 B.T. Aspen	T	FAW	8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1			4		
2			5		
3			6		

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 1-5" 25-50 50-75 75-100

Number of Trees in Plot: 13 Explain: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)

Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge

Aerial Photographs

Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:

Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators:

Inundated

Saturated in Upper 12 inches

Water Marks

Drift Lines

Sediment Deposits

Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):

Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"

Water-Soaked Leaves

Local Soil Survey Data

FAC-Neutral Test

Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**

(Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

B.H. Oriole

immature northern harrier

feeding on meadow vole



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 53 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Travis Photo #: 54  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Med. Heavy  
 Remarks: former Travis Landkill Area

VEGETATION  
 Cowardin System: Upland Euaraine Lacustrine Palustrine Ruvicene Palustrine  
 Subsystem: Phragmites  
 Emergent Stratum: H Sublittoral Intertidal Forsted  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Phrag w/ woody  
 Dominant Plant Species: Phragmites  
 1 Phragmites Indicator 5 Stratum 5 Indicator  
 2 Muhlenbergia 6 6  
 3 6  
 4 8  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 4 Stratum 4 Indicator 4 Stratum 4 Indicator  
 2 5  
 3 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 75-100 Percent Canopy Cover: 75-100 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25 Percent Unshaded Surface Area: 75-100 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain:

HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 54 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/Travis Photo #: 54  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Med. Heavy  
 Remarks: former Landkill

VEGETATION  
 Cowardin System: Upland Euaraine Lacustrine Palustrine Ruvicene Palustrine  
 Subsystem: Phrag w/ woody  
 Emergent Stratum: H Sublittoral Intertidal Forsted  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Landkill  
 Dominant Plant Species: Phragmites  
 1 Phragmites Indicator 5 Stratum 5 Indicator  
 2 Muhlenbergia 6 6  
 3 7  
 4 8  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 4 Stratum 4 Indicator 4 Stratum 4 Indicator  
 2 5  
 3 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 75-100 Percent Canopy Cover: 75-100 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 25 Percent Unshaded Surface Area: 75-100 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain:

HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 55 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Peck Photo #: Travis Landfill Area  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: former Landfill Weather: Sunny 79°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland Palustrine	Estuarine Lacustrine	Palustrine	Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested	Subsystem:	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1				T			-	Tree of Heaven			Landfill
2				T			FACW	Black Cherry			
3				H			FACW	Phytolacca			
4				H			FACW	Knobweed			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 2 3 4 5 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 100 Explain: 0-25

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 56 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Peck Photo #: Travis Landfill Area  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: former Landfill Weather: Sunny 79°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland Palustrine	Estuarine Lacustrine	Palustrine	Emergent Scrub-Shrub Forested	Subsystem:	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1				T			-	Tree of Heaven			Landfill
2				T			FACW	Black Cherry			
3				H			FACW	Phytolacca			
4				H			FACW	Knobweed			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 2 3 4 5 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 1-6" 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 75 Explain: 0-25

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 51 Clayton/ree Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: Travis Landfill  
 General Location Description: Travis Landfill  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

Investigators: Clayton/ree  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Heavy

Remarks: Former Travis Landfill Area

**VEGETATION**

Coveardin System:	Upland			Emergent	Subsystem:	Subtidal			Indicator	Stratum	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Upland	Estuarine	Lacustrine			Palustrine	Emergent	Intertidal				
1												
2												
3												
4												

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 2 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 25 DBH of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

Misc. passerines (Robin, grackle, mockingbird)



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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 52 Clayton/ree Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: Travis Landfill  
 General Location Description: Travis Landfill  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

Investigators: Clayton/ree  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Heavy

Remarks: Former Travis Landfill

**VEGETATION**

Coveardin System:	Upland			Emergent	Subsystem:	Subtidal			Indicator	Stratum	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Upland	Estuarine	Lacustrine			Palustrine	Emergent	Intertidal				
1												
2												
3												
4												

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 2 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 5-10" 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wellands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 59 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/pech Photo #: 101107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Yes  No   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Light  Med.  Heavy   
 Remarks: former landfill area Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

VEGETATION Surrounding/Judgment Land Use: Woodland Landfill/development

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upland	<input type="checkbox"/> Estuarine	<input type="checkbox"/> Subsystem	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergent	<input type="checkbox"/> Substratum	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Intertidal	<input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-Shrub	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Rivine	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<input type="checkbox"/> Stratum	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<input type="checkbox"/> Stratum	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Intertidal	<input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-Shrub	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

Dominant Plant Species:  
 1 B. cherry  
 2 Maple  
 3 Knotweed  
 4 Rainforest

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 1 0  
 2 0  
 3 0  
 4 0

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 0  
 2 0  
 3 0

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 16-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 10

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: near trib to Richmond Creek

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transect/Plot ID#: 60 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/pech Photo #: 1013107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary Yes  No   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? Yes Yes  No   
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? Yes Yes  No   
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light Light  Med.  Heavy   
 Remarks: forested wetland along AARUK Hill Road Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

VEGETATION Surrounding/Judgment Land Use: Palustrine forested

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<input type="checkbox"/> Upland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Estuarine	<input type="checkbox"/> Subsystem	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergent	<input type="checkbox"/> Substratum	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>
2	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Intertidal	<input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-Shrub	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
3	<input type="checkbox"/> Rivine	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<input type="checkbox"/> Stratum	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<input type="checkbox"/> Stratum	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
4	<input type="checkbox"/> Palustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Lacustrine	<input type="checkbox"/> Intertidal	<input type="checkbox"/> Scrub-Shrub	<input type="checkbox"/> Forested	<input type="checkbox"/> Indicator	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>

Dominant Plant Species:  
 1 B. Maple  
 2 S. Gum  
 3 Knotweed  
 4 Spicebush

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 1 0  
 2 0  
 3 0  
 4 0

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 0  
 2 0  
 3 0

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 12-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 8

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Wetland hydrology indicators: Inundated, Saturated in Upper 12 inches, Water Marks, Drift Lines, Sediment Deposits, Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



101107  
Bernick/Clayton Wildlife near points 60161/62:  
hairy woodpecker  
red-bellied woodpecker  
northern flicker  
tufted titmouse  
black-capped chickadee  
swainson's thrush

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Transect/Plot ID#: 61 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/pech  
 General Location Description: Dark Park Area  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: W. Muldoon Ave. Wet Woodland

**VEGETATION**

Upland Cowardin System: Palustrine Subsystem: Forested Emergent Scrub/Shrub: Forested Substrate: Palustrine Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wooded

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1 <u>F.M. Maple</u>	<u>T FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FACW</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FACW</u>
2 <u>R. Maple</u>	<u>T FAC</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>FAC</u>
3 <u>Black Oak</u>	<u>T FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>
4 <u>Sweet Gum</u>	<u>T FAC</u>				

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 12-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 8 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: Wetland hydrology observed

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**CAKRF**  
Bermik/clayton  
Wildlife war points 6/16/02:  
hairy woodpecker, red-bellied woodpecker, northern flicker  
tufted titmouse, black-capped chickadee, Swainson's thrush

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Transect/Plot ID#: 62 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/pech  
 General Location Description: Muldoon New Wet Woodland  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Forested Area

**VEGETATION**

Upland Cowardin System: Palustrine Subsystem: Forested Emergent Scrub/Shrub: Forested Substrate: Palustrine Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wooded

Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1 <u>Redwood</u>	<u>H FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FACW</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>
2 <u>Palustrine Ivy</u>	<u>H FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>
3 <u>Var. Creeper</u>	<u>H FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>FAC</u>
4 _____					

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 5 \_\_\_\_\_  
 3 \_\_\_\_\_ 6 \_\_\_\_\_

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 12-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**CAKRF**  
10/11/01  
Bermik/clayton  
Wildlife war points 6/16/02:  
hairy woodpecker, red-bellied woodpecker, northern flicker  
tufted titmouse, black-capped chickadee, Swainson's thrush



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 65 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: South Park Area  
 Investigators: Clayton / Fred General Location Description: South Park Area  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Arthur Kill Road woodland  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Estuarine Palustrine Lacustrine Rivine Palustrine  
 Emergent Subshrub Forest  
 Subsystem: Forest  
 Substratum: Forest  
 Dominant Plant Species: Sweetgum Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 1 Sweetgum Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 2 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 3 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 4 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 2 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 3 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 18-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 310  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wooded/developed

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks: wetland hydrology observed

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 66 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: South Park Area  
 Investigators: Clayton / Fred General Location Description: South Park Area  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Arthur Kill Road woodland  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 81°

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: Upland Estuarine Palustrine Lacustrine Rivine Palustrine  
 Emergent Subshrub Forest  
 Subsystem: Forest  
 Substratum: Forest  
 Dominant Plant Species: Sweetgum Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 1 Sweetgum Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 2 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 3 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 4 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 2 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 3 Pin Oak Pin Maple  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 12-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wooded/developed

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: 67 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/peck Photo #: South of Expressway  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Aden Heights Woodland  
 Weather: Sunny 80°  
 Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Substratum	Indicator	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Forested	Intertidal			
Dominant Plant Species									
1				T	T		FAC	H	wooded/developed
2				T	T		FAC	S	
3				T	T		FAC		
4				T	T				

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 2 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 3-16"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 15

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
Gray Squirrels  
White-tailed deer  
Opossum  
feral cat  
racoon  
Wildlife near points 68/71/72:  
doe  
wood thrasher  
brown thrasher



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 68 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/peck Photo #: South of Expressway  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Aden Heights Woodland  
 Weather: Sunny 80°  
 Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Substratum	Indicator	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Forested	Intertidal			
Dominant Plant Species									
1				T	T		FAC	H	wooded/developed
2				T	T		FAC		
3				T	T		FAC		
4				T	T				

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Net Dominant):  
 1 2 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 3-18"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
Gray Squirrels  
White-tailed deer  
Opossum  
feral cat  
racoon  
Wildlife near points 68/71/72:  
doe  
wood thrasher  
brown thrasher



FRESH KILLS PARK  
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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 69 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: South of Expressway  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reich General Location Description: South of Expressway  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Arden Heights Woodland Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Coverain System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Sublittoral	Sublittoral	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
2	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
3	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
4	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wooded developed

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. Pin Oak  
 2. Pin Oak  
 3. Pin Oak

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 700 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-20"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 2

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: wetland hydrology observed

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Pilot ID#: 70 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Photo #: South of Expressway  
 Investigators: Clayton/Reich General Location Description: South of Expressway  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Arden Heights Woodland Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Coverain System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Sublittoral	Sublittoral	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
2	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
3	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		
4	Palustrine	Palustrine	Forest	Forest	Forest	Pin Oak		

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: wetland wooded developed

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. Pin Oak  
 2. Pin Oak  
 3. Pin Oak

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 700 DBH of Trees in Plot: 18-26"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 2

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.) \_\_\_\_\_

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: wetland hydrology not observed

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 71 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Beech Photo #: 5/23/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Large open water area, pool area  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 81°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
System:	Palustrine	Lucustrine	Scrub-Shrub Forested	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1					
2					
3					
4					

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-I):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
2  
3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-20"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 10

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**CAKRF** Bernick | Bright 1013107 Willifl near points  
68/71/72:  
gray squirrel, raccoon, opossum, white-tailed deer, feral cat,  
dog, Swainson's thrush, wood thrush, brown thrasher

FRESH KILLS PARK  
NATURAL RESOURCES SURVEY  
DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 72 Date and Time: 5/23/07  
 Investigators: Clayton Beech Photo #: 5/23/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Area Height woodlands  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 82°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
System:	Palustrine	Lucustrine	Scrub-Shrub Forested	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Upland	Estuarine	Emergent	Subtidal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1					
2					
3					
4					

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-I):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
2  
3

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-20"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 10

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Welland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**CAKRF** Bernick | Bright 1013107 Willifl near points  
68/71/72:  
gray squirrel, raccoon, opossum, white-tailed deer, feral cat,  
dog, Swainson's thrush, wood thrush, brown thrasher



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Pit ID#: 75 Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck Photo #: Arden Heights  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Arden Woods Park Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**  
 Upward Euarthine Substratum Emergent Substratum Substratum  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Forest Forest  
 Dominant Plant Species: Sweet gum Pine oak Maple  
 1 Sweet gum FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 2 Pine oak FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 3 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 4 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 2 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 3 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Pit: 200 10-15m 25-50 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Pit: 12 10-15m 25-50 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: DBH of Trees in Pit: 10-15m

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:  
**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Pit ID#: 76 Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton / Peck Photo #: Catowatche Park  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Catowatche Park Weather Conditions: Sunny 81°

**VEGETATION**  
 Upward Euarthine Substratum Emergent Substratum Substratum  
 Cowardin System: Palustrine Forest Forest  
 Dominant Plant Species: Sweet gum Pine oak Maple  
 1 Sweet gum FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 2 Pine oak FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 3 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 4 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 2 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 3 Maple FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Pit: 200 12-20" 25-50 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Pit: 16 12-20" 25-50 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain: DBH of Trees in Pit: 12-20"

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:  
**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 77 Clayton/Beech Date: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: 5/24/07  
 General Location Description: Catourette Park  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 79°

**VEGETATION**  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: forested wooded/developed

Upward	Esuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
Cowardin System:	Palustrine	Lucasine	Palustrine	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<u>R. maple</u>		<u>T</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>5</u>			
2	<u>white hazel</u>		<u>T</u>		<u>6</u>			
3	<u>arrow wood</u>		<u>S</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>7</u>			
4			<u>S</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>8</u>			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Stratum Indicator Additional Species Present (Not Dominant) Stratum Indicator  
 2  
 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-18"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 9

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 78 Clayton/Beech Date: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: 5/24/07  
 General Location Description: Catourette Park  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? Primary  Yes  No Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: recreational fields/wooded

Upward	Esuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Substratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
Cowardin System:	Palustrine	Lucasine	Palustrine	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1	<u>Phragmites</u>		<u>H</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>Elm spp.</u>		
2	<u>tree of heaven</u>		<u>T</u>		<u>6</u>			
3	<u>knopweel</u>		<u>H</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>7</u>			
4	<u>B. locust</u>		<u>T</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>8</u>			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Stratum Indicator Additional Species Present (Not Dominant) Stratum Indicator  
 2  
 3  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 6-12"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 6

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID #: 79 Date: 5/29/07  
 Investigator(s): Clayton/Leah Photo #: 5/29/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: Adjacent to Golf course Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

Upward		Subsidiary		Emergent		Subsidiary		Dominant Plant Species		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
Cowardin System:	Palustrine	Estuarine	Palustrine	Subsidiary	Emergent	Subsidiary	Emergent	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
1		A. cherry		T	T			5	FAC		forested
2		Black spruce		T	T			6	FAC		developed park lands
3		Tree of Heaven		T	T			7	FAC		
4		Knottedweed		H	H			8	FAC		
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)											
1								4			
2								5			
3								6			
Percent Herbaceous Cover:		0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100	Percent Canopy Cover:		0-25	25-50
Size of Plot:		700		10-18"		10-18"		Percent Unvegetated Surface Area:		0-25	25-50
Number of Trees in Plot:		8		10-18"		10-18"		Explain:			

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID #: 80 Date: 5/29/07  
 Investigator(s): Clayton/Leah Photo #: 5/29/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: Adjacent to Golf course Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

Upward		Subsidiary		Emergent		Subsidiary		Dominant Plant Species		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
Cowardin System:	Palustrine	Estuarine	Palustrine	Subsidiary	Emergent	Subsidiary	Emergent	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
1		Sweetgum		T	T			5	FAC		forested
2		R. maple		T	T			6	FAC		developed golf course
3		Bassettias		T	T			7	FAC		
4		Tulip Poplar		T	T			8	FAC		
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)											
1								4			
2								5			
3								6			
Percent Herbaceous Cover:		0-1	1-10	10-25	25-50	50-75	75-100	Percent Canopy Cover:		0-25	25-50
Size of Plot:		200		10-25"		10-25"		Percent Unvegetated Surface Area:		0-25	25-50
Number of Trees in Plot:		10		10-25"		10-25"		Explain:			

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 81 Clayton/reech Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/reech Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: adjacent to Golf course  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 80°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtotal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Paludine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Sweetgum		forested	T	T	golf course/developed
1	R. Maple			T	FAC	
2	P. in Oak			T	FAC	
3	Sassafras			T	FAC	
4				T	FAC	
5				T	FAC	
6				T	FAC	
7				T	FAC	
8				T	FAC	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Elm sp.  
 2  
 3  
 4  
 5  
 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 14-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 18  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
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Transsect/Plot ID#: 82 Clayton/reech Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigators: Clayton/reech Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Sunny 79°  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 79°

**VEGETATION**

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtotal	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Paludine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	
Dominant Plant Species	Sweetgum		forested	T	T	parkland
1	R. Maple			T	FAC	
2	P. in Oak			T	FAC	
3	Sassafras			T	FAC	
4				T	FAC	
5				T	FAC	
6				T	FAC	
7				T	FAC	
8				T	FAC	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3  
 4  
 5  
 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 16-18"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 10  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks)  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transact/Plot ID#: 53  
 Investigators: Clayton / Tech  
 Date: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: William T. Davis  
 General Location Description: William T. Davis  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Primary  Yes  No  
 Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sunny 79°

Upward		Estuarine	Subtidal	Emergent	Subsystem:	Substrate	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
Coarctate System:	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Intertidal	Scrub-Shrub forested	Palustrine	Emergent	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	
							<u>VA. CRUCIFERA</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>Parkland</u>
							<u>VA. CRUCIFERA</u>	<u>5</u>		
							<u>VA. CRUCIFERA</u>	<u>6</u>		
							<u>VA. CRUCIFERA</u>	<u>7</u>		
							<u>VA. CRUCIFERA</u>	<u>8</u>		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 VA. CRUCIFERA Indicator 4 Stratum 4  
 2 VA. CRUCIFERA Indicator 5 Stratum 5  
 3 VA. CRUCIFERA Indicator 6 Stratum 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 50-75 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 50-75 Explain:  
 HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Remarks:

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transact/Plot ID#: 54  
 Investigators: Clayton / Tech  
 Date: 5/24/07  
 Photo #: William T. Davis  
 General Location Description: William T. Davis  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Primary  Yes  No  
 Secondary  Yes  No  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: Sunny 80°

Upward		Estuarine	Subtidal	Emergent	Subsystem:	Substrate	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator	Stratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
Coarctate System:	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Intertidal	Scrub-Shrub forested	Palustrine	Emergent	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	
							<u>Phragmites</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>Parkland</u>
							<u>Phragmites</u>	<u>6</u>		
							<u>Phragmites</u>	<u>7</u>		
							<u>Phragmites</u>	<u>8</u>		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Phragmites Indicator 4 Stratum 4  
 2 Phragmites Indicator 5 Stratum 5  
 3 Phragmites Indicator 6 Stratum 6  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 50-75 DBH of Trees in Plot:  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 50-75 Explain:  
 HYDROLOGY  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Remarks:

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)  
 WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID: 85 Clayton Creek Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigator: Clayton Creek Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Industrial activity nearby  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 81°

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: forested

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtotal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Lowland	Forest	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal		
1						T FAM	5
2						P. TUN	6
3						Am. Beech	7
4						H FAM	8
5							
6							

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):

Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1			4	
2			5	
3			6	

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 10-25 Percent Canopy Cover: 25-50  
 Size of Plot: 100 DBH of Trees in Plot: 12-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 12 Explain: 12-22"

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/Plot ID: 86 Clayton Creek Date: 5/24/07  
 Investigator: Clayton Creek Photo #: 5/24/07  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Industrial activity nearby  
 Weather Conditions: Sunny 82°

**VEGETATION**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Industrial wooded

Cowardin System:	Upland	Estuarine	Subsystem:	Emergent	Subtotal	Dominant Plant Species	Indicator
	Palustrine	Lowland	Forest	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal		
1						Black locust	5
2						Cottonwood	6
3						Black cherry	7
4							8
5							
6							

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC):

Stratum	Indicator	Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator
1			4	
2			5	
3			6	

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 Percent Canopy Cover: 25-50  
 Size of Plot: 200 DBH of Trees in Plot: 16-22"  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 13 Explain: 16-22"

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



## Field Data Sheets (October)

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VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transcript ID#: **27F** Date: **10/11/07**  
 Investigators: **Barnick / Clayton** Photo #: **1011107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: **South of point 26** Weather Conditions: **Overcast 68°F**

Vegetation		Substrate		Emergent		Subsystem		Elevation		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
Cowardin System	Palustrine	Riverine	Lacustrine	Pollustrine	Emergent	Sub-Shrub	Subsystem	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Substrate	Indicator
1	gray birch				T						
2	black cherry				T						
3	autumn olive				T						
4	Poison ivy				V						
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): <b>50%</b>											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)		Substrate		Emergent		Subsystem		Elevation		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
1	arrow-wood				S						
2	swamp-gum				T						
3	Rio oak				T						
4	blackberry spp.				S						
5	Japanese hornysuckle				V						
Percent Herbaceous Cover: <b>0-1</b> <b>10-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b> Percent Canopy Cover: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>0-1</b> <b>1-10</b> <b>10-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Size of Plot: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Number of Trees in Plot: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Explain: <b>Very densely vegetated</b>											

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge   
 Aerial Photographs   
 Other   
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **Upland meadow**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**northern cardinal**  
**eastern cottontail rabbit**  
**white-tailed deer**  
**gray catbird**  
**yellow-rumped warbler**



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VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transcript ID#: **26F** Date: **10/11/07**  
 Investigators: **Barnick / Clayton** Photo #: **1011107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: **Upland meadow** Weather Conditions: **Overcast 68°F**

Vegetation		Substrate		Emergent		Subsystem		Elevation		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
Cowardin System	Palustrine	Riverine	Lacustrine	Pollustrine	Emergent	Sub-Shrub	Subsystem	Palustrine	Lacustrine	Substrate	Indicator
1	goldenrod spp.				H						
2	black locust				T						
3	dogbane spp.				H						
4	Milkweed spp.				H						
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): <b>50%</b>											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)		Substrate		Emergent		Subsystem		Elevation		Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use	
1	late flowering threesweet				H						
2	hawberry				S						
3	Geophyte spp.				T						
4	Saxifrage				S						
5	Ortho cush				H						
6	New York aster				H						
Percent Herbaceous Cover: <b>0-1</b> <b>1-10</b> <b>10-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b> Percent Canopy Cover: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>0-1</b> <b>1-10</b> <b>10-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Size of Plot: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Number of Trees in Plot: <b>0-25</b> <b>25-50</b> <b>50-75</b> <b>75-100</b>											
Explain: <b>Upland meadow</b>											

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge   
 Aerial Photographs   
 Other   
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **Upland meadow**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**northern cardinal**  
**eastern cottontail rabbit**  
**white-tailed deer**  
**gray catbird**  
**yellow-rumped warbler**



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/PLOT ID#: **24F** Date: **10/01/07**  
 Investigators: **Bernick Clayton** Photo #: **SE. East Park**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary**  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: **Overcast 68°F**

**VEGETATION**

Coordinates: **Upland** Subsystem: **Emergent** Subsite: **Intertidal** Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **Landfill**

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1 black gum	T	FAC	5		
2 red maple	T	FAC	6		
3 gray birch	T	FAC	7		
4 Sweet gum	T	FAC	8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 winged sumac  
 2 osage wood  
 3  
 4  
 5  
 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (ft.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (ft.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Qualified Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Negative Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

**northern mockingbird**  
**eastern towhee**  
**yellow-billed cuckoo**  
**American robin**



FRESH KILLS PARK  
VEGETATIVE SURVEY DATA FORM  
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Transsect/PLOT ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Investigators: \_\_\_\_\_ Photo #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

**VEGETATION**

Coordinates: \_\_\_\_\_ Subsystem: \_\_\_\_\_ Subsite: \_\_\_\_\_ Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
1			5		
2			6		
3			7		
4			8		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  
 2  
 3  
 4  
 5  
 6

Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (ft.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (ft.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Stained Leaves  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Qualified Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Negative Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **Bernick / Clayton** Date: **10/2/07**  
 Photo #: **10/2/07**  
 Investigators: **Bernick / Clayton**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Top of mound**  
 Remarks: **Top of mound 3/4**  
 Weather Conditions: **50% cloud cover**  
 Date: **10/2/07**  
 Photo #: **10/2/07**  
 General Location Description: **top of mound 3/4**  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: **Top of mound 3/4**

VEGETATION

Emergent Subsystem: **Sub-Shrub** Substratum: **Landfill**

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Substrate	Substratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
1 <b>Muhlenbergia</b>	H	UPL	H	H	<b>Landfill</b>
2 <b>Phragmites</b>	H	FACW	H	H	
3 <b>Switchgrass spp.</b>	H	---	H	---	
4 <b>Hoopclover</b>	H	---	H	---	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (including FAC-): **---**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Substrate	Substratum
1 <b>Broom Sedge</b>	H	FACW	H	T
2 <b>Red fescue</b>	H	FACW	H	T
3 <b>White stem</b>	H	FACW	H	T

Percent of Additional Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (including FAC-): **---**

DBH of Trees in Plot: **Seplings**

Size of Plot: **50-75** Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: **0-25**

Number of Trees in Plot: **50-75** Elevation: **75-100**

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  Aerial Photographs  Other

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  Inundated  Saturated in Upper 12 inches  Water Marks  Drift Lines  Sediment Deposits  Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Field Observations:  No recorded data available  Depth of Surface Water: (in)  Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in)  Depth to Saturated Soil: (in)

Remarks: **Landfill mound 3/4**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**Song sparrow**  
**American kestrel**  
**Red-tailed hawk**



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **Bernick / Clayton** Date: **10/2/07**  
 Photo #: **10/2/07**  
 Investigators: **Bernick / Clayton**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **between Arden Ave. and Muldoon Ave.**  
 Remarks: **50% cloud cover**  
 Weather Conditions: **68°F**  
 Date: **10/2/07**  
 Photo #: **10/2/07**  
 General Location Description: **SE side Mound 1/9**  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  
 Remarks: **50% cloud cover**

VEGETATION

Emergent Subsystem: **Sub-Shrub** Substratum: **Landfill**

Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Substrate	Substratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
1 <b>Phragmites</b>	H	FACW	H	H	<b>Landfill</b>
2 <b>Muhlenbergia</b>	H	UPL	H	H	
3 <b>Grass-leaved bush</b>	H	FACW	H	H	
4 <b>Golden rod spp.</b>	H	---	H	---	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (including FAC-): **---**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Substrate	Substratum
1 <b>Black locust</b>	T	FACW	T	H
2 <b>Sweetgum</b>	T	FAC	T	H
3 <b>Small white aster</b>	H	FAC	H	T
4 <b>Longleaf sumac</b>	H	FACW	H	S

Percent of Additional Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (including FAC-): **0-25**

DBH of Trees in Plot: **15 in +**

Size of Plot: **50-75** Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: **0-25**

Number of Trees in Plot: **15 in +** Elevation: **75-100**

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  Aerial Photographs  Other

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  Inundated  Saturated in Upper 12 inches  Water Marks  Drift Lines  Sediment Deposits  Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Field Observations:  No recorded data available  Depth of Surface Water: (in)  Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in)  Depth to Saturated Soil: (in)

Remarks: **no standing water in wetland swale**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**American goldfinch**  
**European starling**  
**American crow**  
**Red-tailed hawk**



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **Bernick / Clayton** Date: **10/02/07**  
 Photo #: **10/02/07**  
 General Location Description: **N. Mound 119**  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Weather Conditions: **50% Cloud cover**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: **developed area (former facility) N. of Mound 119**  
**68% F**

VEGETATION

Coverdine System:	Upland	Estuarine	Substratum	Substrate	Emergent	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1	Free-of-heaven		FACU	FACU			5	H	FACU	former facility
2	black locust		FACU	FACU			6			Landfill
3	muhlenberg		H	UPL			7			
4	goldenrod spp.		H	—			8			

Dominant Plant Species: **Phragmites**

Subsystem: **Forest**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **Cottonwood** Stratum: **T** Indicator: **FAC**  
 2 **black cherry** Stratum: **T** Indicator: **FACU**  
 3 **va. creper** Stratum: **V** Indicator: **FACU**

Percent Herbaceous Cover: **0-1** Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: **0-25**

Size of Plot: **3-10 in.** DBH of Trees in Plot: **0-25**

Number of Trees in Plot: **3-10 in.** Explain: **95% impervious surface**

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other:  No records available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Crift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **rock pigeon**  
**mourning dove**  
**European Starling**  
**feral cat**  
**herring gull**  
**great black-backed gull**



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **Bernick / Clayton** Date: **10/02/07**  
 Photo #: **10/02/07**  
 General Location Description: **W. of former Travis landfill**  
 GPS Location Description:  
 Weather Conditions: **50% cloud cover**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below):  Light  Med.  Heavy  
 Remarks: **At Dean and Roswell - Alberta St.**  
**68% F**

VEGETATION

Coverdine System:	Upland	Estuarine	Substratum	Substrate	Emergent	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use:
1	pin oak		T	T			5	S	S	former
2	sweet gum		T	T			6	S	S	Landfill
3	red maple		T	T			7			
4	japanese knotweed		H				8			

Dominant Plant Species: **Palustrine forested wetland**

Subsystem: **Forest**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 **black gum** Stratum: **T** Indicator: **H**  
 2 **gray witch** Stratum: **T** Indicator: **H**  
 3 **white oak** Stratum: **T** Indicator: **S**

Percent Herbaceous Cover: **0-1** Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: **0-25**

Size of Plot: **25-50** DBH of Trees in Plot: **0-25**

Number of Trees in Plot: **25-50** Explain: **50-75**

HYDROLOGY

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks): Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other:  No records available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Crift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **\* noted in AES report on North Mound area vegetated communities**  
**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
**green frog**  
**American goldfinch**  
**American robin**  
**swamp sparrow**  
**song sparrow**  
**red-winged blackbird**  
**downy woodpecker**  
**black-capped chickadee**



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Transect/Plot ID#: **Bernick Clayton** Date: **10/02/07**  
 Photo #: **10102107**  
 Investigators: **Bernick Clayton** General Location: **Along Arden Rd.**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Description: **E. of Arden heights**  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Remarks: **Disturbed by waste & activities related to adjacent road and development**  
 Weather Conditions: **Solo Cloud cover 68%**

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **Woodland/shrub land development**

Emergent	Substrata	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
<b>T</b>		<b>1</b>	<b>Bradford pear</b>		
<b>H</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>mauswort</b>		
<b>H</b>		<b>3</b>	<b>ragweed</b>		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FAC or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  2  3  4  5  6

Percent Hierarchical Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: **1** DBH of Trees in Plot: **1**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **1**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Overlaid Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**Rock Pigeon**  
**European Starling**  
**hairy woodpecker**  
**American robin**  
**gray catbird**



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Transect/Plot ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Photo #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Investigators: \_\_\_\_\_ General Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Description: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Weather Conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergent	Substrata	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator
		<b>1</b>			
		<b>2</b>			
		<b>3</b>			
		<b>4</b>			

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FAC or FAC (excluding FAC):  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1  2  3  4  5  6

Percent Hierarchical Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Size of Plot: \_\_\_\_\_ DBH of Trees in Plot: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Trees in Plot: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: (in.)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Overlaid Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transcript ID#: **OH1 (1f)** Date: **10/03/07**  
 Photo #: **10/03/07**  
 Investigators: **Andy Bernick and Michelle Bright**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Remarks: **Med.**

Vegetation System	Subsystem	Emergent	Subtidal	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
Upland	Estuarine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	UPL	Myrica	H	UPL	H	Brushed area near parking lot
Palustrine	Locustine	Emergent		FACU	Artemisia vulgaris	V	FACU	V	
Rhizine	Peatline			FACU-	Robinia		FACU-		
				FACU-			FACU-		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): **17%** (1-16-07)

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
Blackberry	S	FACU+	S	FACU+
Common reed	H	FACW	H	FACW
Fern nettle	H	FACU+	H	FACU+
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	10-25	25-50	50-75
Size of Plot:	DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>15*</b>			
Number of Trees in Plot:	<b>5</b>			

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Meritral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

American crow  
 European starling  
 house sparrow  
 Spring peeper  
 monarch butterfly  
 red admiral  
 hairy woodpecker



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Transcript ID#: **OH2 (2f)** Date: **10/03/07**  
 Photo #: **10/03/07**  
 Investigators: **Andy Bernick and Michelle Bright**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Light**  
 Remarks: **Med.**

Vegetation System	Subsystem	Emergent	Subtidal	Indicator	Dominant Plant Species	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
Upland	Estuarine	Scrub-Shrub	Intertidal	FACU-	Trifolium	H	FACU-	H	Along unpaved path inside surrounded by scrub-shrub
Palustrine	Locustine	Emergent		FACU	Common reed	V	FACU	V	
Rhizine	Peatline			UPL	Mugwort		UPL		
				UPL			UPL		

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): **13%** (1-3-07)

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
Blunt spike-rush	H	OBL	H	OBL
Canada Buckwheat	H	FACU	H	FACU
Pigeon Ivy	V	FAC	V	FAC
Percent Herbaceous Cover:	0-1	10-25	25-50	50-75
Size of Plot:	DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>10 to 15</b>			
Number of Trees in Plot:	<b>10</b>			

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Meritral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)

blue jay  
 Common yellow-throat  
 rock pigeon  
 Song sparrow  
 mourning dove



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **OH3 (3F)** Date: **10.03.07**  
 Investigator: **Andy Strick and Michelle Bisset** Photo #: **10103107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Med.** Light Heavy  
 Remarks: **overcast**

VEGETATION		Emergent		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
1	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	H	FACU	6	<i>Myrica aspera</i>	H	UPL	1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
2	<i>Prunella serotina</i>	T	FACU	7	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
3	<i>Stachys recta</i>	S	U	8	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
4	<i>Cornus rugosa</i>	S	U	9	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	4	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACU or FAC (excluding FAC): <b>100% = 100%</b>											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)											
1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
Percent Herbaceous Cover: <b>0-1</b> 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100											
Size of Plot: <b>15</b> DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>15</b>											
Number of Trees in Plot: <b>4</b>											

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
 Song sparrow  
 Prairie warbler  
 Swamp sparrow  
 American crow  
 Herring gull  
 Gray catbird  
 Northern cardinal



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **OH4 (4F)** Date: **10.03.07**  
 Investigator: **Andy Strick and Michelle Bisset** Photo #: **10103107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area? **Primary** Secondary   
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Med.** Light Heavy  
 Remarks: **overcast**

VEGETATION		Emergent		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate		Substrate	
Cowardin System	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum
1	<i>Thuja occidentalis</i>	H	FACU	6	<i>Myrica aspera</i>	H	UPL	1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
2	<i>Prunella serotina</i>	T	FACU	7	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
3	<i>Stachys recta</i>	S	U	8	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
4	<i>Cornus rugosa</i>	S	U	9	<i>Rubus odoratus</i>	H	FACU	4	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACU or FAC (excluding FAC): <b>0</b>											
Additional Species Present (Not Dominant)											
1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		1	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		2	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V		3	<i>Blackberry</i>	V	
Percent Herbaceous Cover: <b>0-1</b> 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100											
Size of Plot: <b>10</b> DBH of Trees in Plot: <b>10</b>											
Number of Trees in Plot: <b>3</b>											

**HYDROLOGY**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks:

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
 Song sparrow  
 Prairie warbler  
 Swamp sparrow  
 American crow  
 Herring gull  
 Gray catbird  
 Northern cardinal



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Transcript/Plot ID#: **OH5 (5F)** Date: **10/03/07**  
 Investigators: **Ashy Barwick and Michelle Bright** Photo #: **10103107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Med.**  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** Estuarine **S** Subtidal **U** Emergent **S** Substrate **S** Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **On upland path next to road ROW - surrounded by scrub-shrub and open field**  
 Phragmites **U** Labrotinno **U** **S** **U** **U** **U**  
 Riverine **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Palustrine **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Dominant Plant Species: **S** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 1 **Spartina sparganietum** **S** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 2 **White-throated sparrow** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 3 **Common sparrow** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 4 **Golden-rods** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): **0**  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant): **0**  
 1 **Impatiens capensis** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H**  
 2 **Long-leaved grass** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 3 **Panicum spp.** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: **0-1** **10-25** **25-50** **50-75** **75-100**  
 Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** **25-50** **50-75** **75-100**  
 Size of Plot: **4** **10** **25** **50** **75** **100**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **4** **10** **25** **50** **75** **100**  
 Explain:

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tidal Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
**monarch butterfly** **house sparrow**  
**red admiral** **Baltimore oriole**  
**gray darter** **American crow**  
**American goldfinch** **European starling**  
**gray catbird** **Northern cardinal**



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Transcript/Plot ID#: **OH6 (6F)** Date: **10/03/07**  
 Investigators: **Ashy Barwick and Michelle Bright** Photo #: **10103107**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Med.**  
 Remarks:

**VEGETATION**  
 Cowardin System: **Upland** Estuarine **S** Subtidal **U** Emergent **S** Substrate **S** Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: **In moist forest next to stream**  
 Phragmites **U** Labrotinno **U** **S** **U** **U**  
 Riverine **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Palustrine **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Dominant Plant Species: **S** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 1 **Sweet gum** **S** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 2 **Red maple** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 3 **Red oak** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 4 **Southern redwood** **U** **U** **U** **U** **U**  
 Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC-): **100%**  
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant): **0**  
 1 **Japanese knotweed** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 2 **Impatiens capensis** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 3 **Virginia creeper** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 4 **Smilax latifolia** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 5 **Smilax latifolia** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 6 **Virginia creeper** **FACW** **H** **FACW** **H** **FACW**  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: **0-1** **1-10** **10-25** **25-50** **50-75** **75-100**  
 Percent Canopy Cover: **0-25** **25-50** **50-75** **75-100**  
 Size of Plot: **25** **50** **75** **100**  
 Number of Trees in Plot: **25+** **50** **75** **100**  
 Explain: **Moist woods next to stream**

**HYDROLOGY**  
 Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tidal Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Stained Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

**WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)**  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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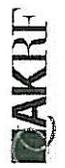
Transsect/Plot ID#: OH7 (7F) Date: 10/03/07  
 Investigators: Andy Bernick and Mitchell Bright Photo #: 10103107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Did field path overgrown with vegetation  
 General Location Description: Near Owl Hollow area  
 GPS Location: N. 40 33.828  
 Description: W. 74 11.509  
 Weather Conditions: Overcast

Coveardin System		Estuarine	Subsystem	Emergent	Substratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
Upland	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Indicator	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<u>Red maple</u>	<u>Black cherry</u>	<u>Acer rubrum</u>	<u>Fraxinus americana</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>Stream</u>
<u>White-barked</u>	<u>Liquidambar styraciflua</u>	<u>Liquidambar styraciflua</u>	<u>Fraxinus americana</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>Next to road near</u>
<u>Japanese knotweed</u>	<u>Blackberry</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>FACU-</u>	<u>stream culvert - forested</u>
<u>Japanese knotweed</u>	<u>Blackberry</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>FACU-</u>	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACV or FAC (excluding FACU):  $2/3 \times 100 = 66.7\%$   
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Blackberry Morus spp. Rubus spp. Prunella serotina H FACW  
 2 Common blackberry Expansum puberulum H FACW  
 3 Common blackberry Expansum puberulum H FACW  
 4 Asian knotweed Quercus orbiculata V FACU  
 5 Virginia Creeper Pithecellobium sp. V FACU  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-15  
 Size of Plot: 5  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 5  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Elevation: 10  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Stream

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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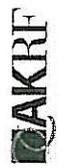
Transsect/Plot ID#: OH7 (7F) Date: 10/03/07  
 Investigators: Andy Bernick and Mitchell Bright Photo #: 10103107  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): Light  
 Remarks: Did field path overgrown with vegetation  
 General Location Description: Near Owl Hollow area  
 GPS Location: N. 40 33.828  
 Description: W. 74 11.509  
 Weather Conditions: Overcast

Coveardin System		Estuarine	Subsystem	Emergent	Substratum	Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use
Upland	Palustrine	Palustrine	Palustrine	Scrub-Shrub	Indicator	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<u>Red maple</u>	<u>Black cherry</u>	<u>Acer rubrum</u>	<u>Fraxinus americana</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FAC</u>	<u>Stream</u>
<u>White-barked</u>	<u>Liquidambar styraciflua</u>	<u>Liquidambar styraciflua</u>	<u>Fraxinus americana</u>	<u>T</u>	<u>FACU-</u>	<u>Along paved path in</u>
<u>Japanese knotweed</u>	<u>Blackberry</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>FACU-</u>	<u>forested area</u>
<u>Japanese knotweed</u>	<u>Blackberry</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>Rubus coccineus</u>	<u>V</u>	<u>FACU-</u>	

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACV or FAC (excluding FACU):  $3/3 \times 100 = 100\%$   
 Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1 Mulberry Morus spp. Rubus spp. Prunella serotina H FACW  
 2 Common blackberry Expansum puberulum H FACW  
 3 Common blackberry Expansum puberulum H FACW  
 4 Asian knotweed Quercus orbiculata V FACU  
 5 Virginia Creeper Pithecellobium sp. V FACU  
 Percent Herbaceous Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: 10-15  
 Size of Plot: 5  
 Number of Trees in Plot: 5  
 Percent Canopy Cover: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Elevation: 10  
 Surrounding/Adjacent Land Use: Stream

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 Other  
 No recorded data available  
 Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands  
 Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Neutral Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **17 (9F)** Date: **10/21/07**  
 Investigators: **Andy Bessick and Michelle Bright** Photo #: **102103**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Heavy**  
 Remarks: **Site on open landfill**

General Location: **North Park near North mound**  
 GPS Location Description: **N. 40 35.473**  
 W. 74 11.050  
 Weather Conditions: **Overcast**

Code	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1	American redbud	Phytolacca americana	H	FACW	5
2	Common reed	Phragmites australis	H	FACW	6
3	Japanese knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum	H	FACW	7
4	Muriquet	Achillea millefolium	H	UPL	8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC): **1:4 x 100 = 25%**

Code	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1	Blowdown	Fragaria virginiana	T	FACW	5
2	Blackberry	Rubus spp.	T	FACW	6
3	Blackberry	Rubus spp.	T	FACW	7

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC): **1:4 x 100 = 25%**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. *Prunella americana*  
 2. *Virginia creeper*  
 3. *Parthenocissus vitacea*  
 4. *Virginia creeper*  
 5. *Parthenocissus vitacea*  
 6. *Parthenocissus vitacea*

Percent Canopy Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

Size of Plot: **10**  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: **5**

Number of Trees in Plot: **5**

**VEGETATION**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Nutrient Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **Possibly in area identified as 'native vegetation' on AES north mound report**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
 Song sparrow  
 black-capped chickadee  
 gray catbird  
 American goldfinch  
 Common grackle  
 northern harrier  
 turkey vulture



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Transsect/Plot ID#: **18 (10F)** Date: **10/21/07**  
 Investigators: **Andy Bessick and Michelle Bright** Photo #: **102103**  
 Primary or Secondary Study Area?  Primary  Secondary  
 Do Normal Circumstances exist within the Sampling Area?  Yes  No  
 Is the Sampling Area significantly disturbed (Atypical Situation)?  Yes  No  
 Level of Disturbance (explain below): **Heavy**  
 Remarks: **Site on open landfill**

General Location: **North Park near North Mound**  
 GPS Location Description: **N. 40 35.547**  
 W. 74.11.001  
 Weather Conditions: **Overcast**

Code	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1	Sweet gum	Liquidambar styraciflua	T	FAC	5
2	Red maple	Acer rubrum	T	FAC	6
3	Virginia creeper	Parthenocissus vitacea	T	FACW	7
4	Japanese knotweed	Polygonum cuspidatum	H	FACW	8

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC): **3:5 x 100 = 60%**

Code	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator	Stratum	Indicator
1	Blackberry	Rubus spp.	T	FACW	5
2	Blackberry	Rubus spp.	T	FAC	6

Percent of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC (excluding FAC): **3:5 x 100 = 60%**

Additional Species Present (Not Dominant):  
 1. *Blackberry*  
 2. *Blackberry*  
 3. *Blackberry*  
 4. *Blackberry*  
 5. *Blackberry*  
 6. *Blackberry*

Percent Canopy Cover: 0-1 1-10 10-25 25-50 50-75 75-100  
 Percent Unvegetated Surface Area: 0-25 25-50 50-75 75-100

Size of Plot: **15**  
 DBH of Trees in Plot: **15**

Number of Trees in Plot: **15**

**VEGETATION**

Recorded Data (describe in Remarks):  
 Stream, Lake, or Tide Gauge  
 Aerial Photographs  
 No recorded data available

Field Observations:  
 Depth of Surface Water: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Free Water in Pit: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)  
 Depth to Saturated Soil: \_\_\_\_\_ (in.)

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:  
 Primary Indicators:  
 Inundated  
 Saturated in Upper 12 inches  
 Water Marks  
 Drift Lines  
 Sediment Deposits  
 Drainage Patterns in Wetlands

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required):  
 Oxidized Root Channels in Upper 12"  
 Water-Soaked Leaves  
 Local Soil Survey Data  
 FAC-Nutrient Test  
 Other (explain in remarks)

Remarks: **Possibly in area identified as 'native vegetation' on AES north mound report - Fall 07**

WILDLIFE OBSERVED (INCLUDING SIGNS, TRACKS, CALLS)  
 (Note behavior and/or activity in addition to species)  
 Song sparrow  
 Carolina wren  
 Common yellowthroat  
 Palm warbler  
 Yellow-rumped warbler  
 black-throated blue warbler  
 Gray catbird  
 American goldfinch  
 northern cardinal





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## Technical Memorandum

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**Subject:** Draft Natural Resources Field Survey Fall 2007 Addendum

**Date:** September 5, 2007

**cc:** Judita Eisenberger/AKRF

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A Natural Resources Field Survey Plan (Field Survey Plan) was prepared and submitted in May 2007 that outlined the overall approach and specific methods to be utilized in the natural resources field study of the Project Site and Secondary Study Area at the proposed Fresh Kills Park. The overall field survey program, including the methods presented in the submitted and approved Plan, was in accordance with the Natural Resources Technical Memorandum, dated January 22, 2007, which outlined the detailed technical scope of work for the natural resources analyses to be performed for the Fresh Kills Park DGEIS. The Field Survey Plan provided the overall objectives of the natural resources survey effort, the proposed approach to verifying and characterizing the ecological communities within the project site and surrounding areas, and outlined the specific methods that would be used to achieve the stated objectives.

This addendum serves as a follow-up to the initial Field Survey Plan and May 2007 field efforts. It outlines areas of focus proposed for the fall 2007 field survey and identifies additional activities that have been determined to be applicable or appropriate based on data collected during the May 2007 field effort. Specifically, objectives of the fall 2007 field survey will include:

- capturing seasonal changes at the project site;
- further documenting existing conditions within the short-term project areas, including the proposed Park Drives;
- further documenting the utilization of the project site by wildlife species, including migratory birds, mammals, reptiles, and insects; and
- determining the presence of aquatic biota within seven open water areas adjacent to Mound 6/7 and Mound 2/8, that include the four large open water and vegetated

areas located along the eastern edge of the project site, between Mound 6/7 and Richmond Avenue (i.e., Basins B1 and B2, and Fresh Water Wetland north of Basin B1, and Fresh Water Wetland south of Basin B2), the two stormwater management ponds located in the central portion of the project site near the confluence of Main Creek and Richmond Creek that currently receive stormwater runoff from Mound 6/7 (i.e., Basins C1, C2), and the pond located between the two portions of Mound 2/8, south of Richmond Creek and west of Basin H, that connects to the Richmond Creek tributary between the two portions of Mound 2/8.

## APPROACH

During the fall field effort, the project site will be revisited to achieve the objectives stated above. Vegetative communities identified during the May 2007 field effort will be confirmed using a generalized rapid assessment approach with the purpose of noting changes that may have occurred since the May field efforts. Changes observed will be recorded and subsequently included in the DGEIS.

Terrestrial and aquatic wildlife species observed throughout the project site will be recorded. Observations may include sightings, calls, tracks, or other evidence. In addition, behavior and any unusual activities observed will be noted. Consistent with the May 2007 field efforts, all field activities will be performed between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM to maximize the potential for wildlife viewing/observation.

As discussed in the Field Survey Plan, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) Natural Heritage Program, US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), were contacted regarding information as to the potential presence of threatened or endangered species, suitable habitats for such species, and other habitats of concern within the project site and Secondary Study Area.

NYSDEC identified several egrets, herons, and other waterbirds as having been documented in the vicinity of the Isle of Meadows, and specifically identified the Isle of Meadows as habitat for colonial waterbird nesting. However, recent studies performed by New York City Audubon have confirmed that these species have not nested on the Isle of Meadows in the last 5 years. NYSDEC also identified barn owl (*Tyto alba*), glaucous sedge (*Carex glaucoidea*), and persimmon (*Diospyros virginiana*), as protected species documented as occurring within the vicinity of the project site. Significant ecological communities identified by NYSDEC as potentially occurring within close proximity to the project site include a red maple-sweetgum swamp, and an oak-tulip forest, both of which were identified as having high ecological and/or conservation value. Observations of any state listed species or habitats of concern or significance will be recorded and included in the DGEIS.

No protected species were identified by the USFWS or NMFS within the project area; however, observations of any federally listed threatened or endangered species will be recorded and discussed in the DGEIS.

In addition to the above mentioned species and habitats, additional protected species including gamma grass (*Trypsaicum dactyloides*) and hyssopleaf thoroughwort (*Eupatorium hyssopifolium* L. var. *laciniatum*) have been documented as occurring within the project site and in Secondary Study Area. Any observations of these species within the project site or Secondary Study Area will be documented and discussed in the DGEIS.

## METHODS

As outlined in the Field Survey Plan, the overall objectives of the Natural Resources Field Survey are to characterize the current terrestrial and aquatic resources present within the previously identified Primary Study Area for the Fresh Kills Park project and verify and augment the information compiled from publicly available literature.

The fall field survey will focus on further documenting natural resources within the project site. Because sufficient information has been compiled to characterize the natural resources within the Secondary Study area, the Secondary Study Area will not be revisited during the fall field survey.

Natural resource field investigations of the Fresh Kills site were conducted during May 2007 to coincide with the flowering period for spring flowering plants and bird breeding within the habitats available within the study areas. Additional investigations are proposed to be conducted in October 2007 (week beginning October 1, 2007) to coincide generally with fall flowering periods and the fall bird migration. Appropriate vegetative data (herbaceous, shrub, and tree layer species composition) will be collected as to document any seasonal changes that may have occurred since the May 2007 field effort. No ground disturbing activities or shallow shovel tests will be required as part of the fall field effort.

As discussed earlier in this memorandum, wildlife observed during the course of the field survey will be recorded. Additional observations made, including sightings, calls, tracks, or other evidence of the presence of wildlife species, as well as specific behavioral patterns or any unusual activities also will be documented. Following completion of the field surveys, a complete listing of wildlife species observed (including birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and aquatic species) will be prepared. All field activities will be performed between the hours of 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM to maximize the potential for wildlife viewing.

Rapid assessment survey techniques may also be used to describe aquatic biota within the seven open water areas described above. These techniques will be limited to the use of dip nets or other similar methods to document the presence of aquatic biota, and will be performed in accordance with generally accepted techniques and methodologies for aquatic biota sampling. No testing or offsite analysis will be performed as part of this effort.

## **AREAS PROPOSED FOR INVESTIGATION**

The habitats identified during the May 2007 field effort will be revisited to document any seasonal changes in species composition or diversity. These habitats include *Spartina*-dominated wetlands, mixed marsh wetlands, *Phragmites*-dominated emergent-scrub-shrub wetlands, palustrine forested wetlands, *Phragmites*-dominated field with woody vegetation (upland), maturing woodland (upland), and grass/forb dominated upland areas. The seven open water areas described above will be surveyed in accordance with the methods described in the previous section of this Addendum.

Areas of disturbance relative to proposed park elements will be revisited for the purposes of impact assessment. These park elements include items listed as short-term projects and the longer term park elements as delineated in the DMP. Furthermore, any modifications to the list of short-term projects or other recently proposed activities that warrant detailed investigations or impact assessments will be confirmed prior to field activities and included as part of the Fall effort. Surveys or other natural resource investigations associated with any such recently proposed activities will be performed in accordance with the methods described in this Addendum.