

EASTON RANCH MITIGATION SITE

Project Overview

Watershed: Watershed #13 – Upper Yellowstone River Basin

Monitoring Year: 2023

Years Monitored: 14th year of monitoring

Corps Permit Number: NWO-2006-90370-MTB

Monitoring Conducted By: Confluence Consulting Inc

Dates Monitoring Was Conducted: June 20, 2023

Purpose of the Approved Project:

The site was constructed to provide 27.41 acres of compensatory wetland mitigation credits for wetland impacts associated with future transportation project-related wetland impacts in Watershed #13 – Upper Yellowstone River Basin. Construction entailed excavating a series of wetland cells and a flood channel that bisects the 34.31 acre mitigation site, which is mostly protected under a conservation easement between the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) and the landowner. The wetland project was designed to increase flood storage, improve wildlife habitat, and restore riparian and wetland habitat that had been impacted by past agricultural practices within the Shields River Watershed. The project includes creating, restoring, and preserving wetlands as well as establishing a 50-foot upland buffer around the perimeter of the site for the purpose of developing mitigation credits within the Easton Ranch Wetland Conservation Easement.

Site Location:

Latitude: 46.058174 **Longitude:** –110.638937

County: Park **Nearest Town:** Wilsall, MT

Map Included: See Figure 1, page 12

Mitigation Site Construction Started: 2009 **Construction Ended:** 2009

Dates of Any Recent Corrective or Maintenance Activities (since previous report):

Activity: Weed spraying was conducted in September 2023.

Specific recommendations for any additional corrective actions: The MDT has an ongoing weed-control program and will continue weed treatments in 2024. Soil lifts and riprap installed along the bank of the Shields River in the northwestern corner of the site continue to erode. This bank area is generally dominated by shallow-rooting pasture grasses that provide little resistance to bank erosion. MDT will assess this bank erosion and discuss the potential need for adaptive management actions with the landowner and US Army Corps of Engineers. In addition, three bird boxes are not functioning and need repair.

Anticipated Wetland Credit Acres: 27.41

Wetland Credit Acres Generated to Date: 15.07

Previous Monitoring Reports: <https://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/brochures/wetland-mitigation.aspx>

Requirements:

Monitoring Period: 5 years from construction completion or until concurrence by the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

Performance Standards: A summary of performance standards, associated success criteria, and 2023 achievement status for the Easton Ranch site is provided in Table 1.

Table 1. Summary of Performance Standards

Performance Standards	Success Criteria	Criteria Achieved (Y/N)	Discussion
Wetland Characteristics	Meet the three parameter criteria for hydrology, vegetation, and soils as outlined in the 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual and 2010 Mountains, Valleys, Coast Region.	Y	Areas identified as wetland habitat within the mitigation site meet the three parameter criteria.
Wetland Hydrology	Soil saturation present for at least 12.5 percent of the growing season.	Y	All wetland data points met the USACE criteria for wetland hydrology, hydric soils, and vegetation, which reflects wetlands are saturated for 12.5 percent of the growing season.
	Groundwater is filling the depressional wetlands excavated into the upland areas of the site.	Y	Hydrologic indicators observed within the excavated wetlands include surface water, high water table, saturation, geomorphic position, and a positive FAC-Neutral test.
	Constructed stream channel is stable.	Y	The constructed floodplain channel is stable with minimal bank erosion identified throughout the mitigation area.
Hydric Soil	Hydric soil conditions present or appear to be forming.	Y	All constructed wetlands exhibit hydric soil development (e.g., depleted matrix and redox dark surface).
	Soil is sufficiently stable to prevent erosion.	Y	Disturbed soil is stable and does not exhibit signs of erosion.
	Soil is able to support plant cover.	Y	Plant cover has continued to develop across disturbed soils.
Hydrophytic Vegetation	Achieved when wetlands delineated as hydrophytic using technical guidelines.	Y	Areas identified as wetland habitat within the mitigation site support a prevalence of hydrophytic vegetation (OBL, FACW, and FAC).
Woody Plants	Trees and shrubs will be installed and survival assessed.	Y	Trees and shrubs were planted throughout the mitigation site and are assessed during each yearly monitoring visit.
	Scrub/shrub wetlands habitat will be achieved where 30 percent absolute cover by cuttings, planted, and volunteer woody plants is reached within the defined monitoring period or site is showing signs of	Y	Approximately 28 percent of the wetland areas identified within the site are dominated by woody vegetation. Planted woody species were observed with high vigor along the constructed flood channel. Natural recruitment of aspen, willows, and cottonwoods continue to establish across the site. The site has achieved this success criterion because it has nearly

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	progression toward that goal at the end of the defined monitoring period.		achieved the percent cover of woody plants goal and is showing promising signs of progression towards 30% cover.
Herbaceous Plants	At least 80 percent ocular vegetation coverage by desirable hydrophytic vegetation.	Y	Desirable hydrophytic vegetation comprises greater than 80 percent of total vegetation cover within delineated wetlands.
Wetland Acreage Development	Provide 27.41 net credit acres for the project area.	N	A total of 15.07 net wetland credit acres has been generated for the mitigation site and includes 12.84 acres of established wetland, 1.64 acres of restored wetland, 0.28 acres of preserved wetland, and 0.98 acres upland buffer, and 0.67-acre debit from project impacts (See Table 7).
Wetland Acreage Development	Emergent wetland habitat will be 70–75% of mitigation wetland.	Y	Emergent wetland habitat comprises approximately 72% of total wetland areas delineated in 2023.
	Scrub/shrub wetland habitat will be 15–20% of wetland area.	Y	Scrub/shrub wetland habitat comprises approximately 28% of total wetland areas delineated in 2023, exceeding the success criteria of 15-20%.
	Open water will be < 5% of wetland area.	Y	Open water comprised less than .003% of total wetland areas delineated in 2023. The open water area (<3 feet deep) supports a diversity of submergent plant species and less than 5% emergent vegetation. The intent of this criterion was to minimize the amount of deep open-water habitat greater than 3 feet in depth.
Floodplain Channel Restoration	Considered stable when banks are vegetated with a majority of deep-rooting riparian and wetland plant species.	Y	Streambanks along the constructed channel are vegetated with a diversity of deep-rooting riparian and wetland plant species.
	Bank stability will be evaluated by reference reach comparison.	Y	Banks within the constructed floodplain channel are stable and compare to reference reach conditions with no signs of erosion or channel movement.
	Vegetation transect across the floodplain will be monitored.	Y	Vegetation transect across the floodplain has been monitored yearly and supports a prevalence of species with a root-stability index greater than 6.
Bank Stabilization (Shields River)	Area visually inspected and photo-documented.	Y	The results of annual inspection and photo documentation along the Shields River in the northwestern corner of the site are presented in the mitigation monitoring reports.
	Stability achieved when the banks are vegetated with a majority of deep-rooting riparian and wetland plant species.	N	The banks of the Shields River are generally dominated by shallow-rooted upland pasture grasses, with low cover provided by the non-native and deeper-rooted species, reed canary grass. In 2023, soil lifts and the riprap installed along the bank continue to slowly erode near the northwestern corner of the site. This area has been eroding since a 2013 high flow event damaged the reconstructed bank. Installed willow cuttings did not establish along this bank.
Upland Buffer	Noxious weeds do not exceed 10 percent cover within upland buffer area.	Y	Noxious weed cover is estimated at less than 5 percent within the upland buffer.

Performance Standards	Success Criteria	Criteria Achieved (Y/N)	Discussion
	Any area disturbed within creditable buffer zone must have at least 50 percent aerial cover of non-weed species by end of monitoring period.	Y	Disturbed areas have successfully established greater than 50 percent aerial cover by non-weed species.
Weed Control	Less than 5 percent absolute cover of state-listed noxious weed species across the site.	Y	Absolute cover of state-listed noxious weed species is estimated at 2 percent across the site in 2023.
Fencing	Install wildlife-friendly fencing along the easement boundaries.	Y	Wildlife-friendly fencing has been removed from the western and southern portions of the easement boundaries to promote wildlife movement across the wetland and the Shields River riparian corridor. The remaining fences are in good condition.
Monitoring	Monitor the site for a minimum period of 5 years or longer as determined by the USACE.	Y	Comprehensive site monitoring has been ongoing for 14 years since the completion of construction activities in 2009.

Summary Data

Wetland Delineation – The total wetland and aquatic habitat acreage delineated in 2023, including pre-existing wetland areas, was 15.63 acres, which is a decrease of 0.35 acres since 2022 (Table 2; Figures A-2 and A-3, Appendix A). In 2020, the USACE (N. Green, personal communication, May 6, 2020) provided guidance on open water, defining it as “areas of open water of any depth with less than 5% rooted emergent vegetation, no vegetation, submerged non-rooted vegetation, and/or submerged vegetation rooted in the substrate that does not extend above the water surface.” In accordance with this recent USACE guidance, open water accounted for 0.05-acre of the mitigation site in 2023. The total wetland area at the site ranged from a low in 2010 of 11.53 acres to a high of 15.99 acres in 2021 with 15.63 acres delineated in 2023. Overall, the wetland acreage within the Easton site showed a slight decline of approximately 0.35 acres between 2022 and 2023.

Table 2. Upland, Wetland & Aquatic Habitat Acreage Delineated in 2023 at the Easton Ranch Site

Habitat Type	2023 Acreage
Uplands	18.68
Wetlands & Aquatic Habitat	
Emergent	11.19
Scrub-Shrub	4.39
Open Water	0.05
<i>Subtotal</i>	<i>15.63</i>
Project Area	34.31

Vegetation – A total of 179 plant species were identified on the site from 2010 through 2023. Vegetation communities were identified by species composition and dominance. The following three upland and 10 wetland vegetation community types were identified and mapped in 2023:

- Upland Type 10 – *Bromus inermis*/*Populus tremuloides*
- Upland Type 13 – *Bromus inermis*/*Phleum pratense*
- Upland Type 18 – *Lotus corniculatus*/*Phleum pratense*
- Wetland Type 4 – *Salix* spp.
- Wetland Type 5 – *Populus balsamifera*
- Wetland Type 7 – Aquatic Macrophytes
- Wetland Type 11 – *Juncus* spp.
- Wetland Type 12 – *Eleocharis palustris*/*Typha latifolia*
- Wetland Type 14 – *Juncus* spp./*Populus balsamifera*
- Wetland Type 15 – *Juncus* spp./*Salix* spp.
- Wetland Type 20 – *Lotus corniculatus*/*Populus balsamifera*
- Wetland Type 21 – *Carex* spp./*Juncus* spp.
- Wetland Type 24 – *Phleum pratense*

The community composition for each community type is provided in full detail on the Wetland Mitigation Site Monitoring form (Appendix B), and the community boundaries are shown in Figure A-3 (Appendix A). The most prevalent upland community within the site is Upland Type 13 – *Bromus inermis*/*Phleum pratense*, while the most prevalent wetland community is Wetland Type 11 – *Juncus* spp. In 2023, many community types were combined due to a convergence in species composition, making some community types redundant. This included merging Upland Types 1 – *Phleum pratense*/*Poa pratensis*, 16 – *Elymus repens*/*Poa pratensis*, and 17 – *Phleum pratense*/*Elymus repens*, with Upland Type 13 – *Bromus inermis*/*Phleum pratense*; merging Wetland Type 3 – *Carex* spp. with Wetland Type 21 – *Carex* spp./*Juncus* spp.; and creating a new wetland community Wetland Type 24 – *Phleum pratense* by merging Wetland Type 23 – *Lotus corniculatus*/*Phleum pratense* Wetland Type 22 – *Phleum pratense*/*Elymus repens*.

Vegetation cover was measured along three transects in 2023 (Figure A-2, Appendix A). Details of each transect are provided in the site monitoring form in Appendix B. Photographs of the transect endpoints are provided in Appendix C. Table 3 summarizes the data for Transect T-1. Transect 1 is 1,376 feet long; runs south to north across the east side of the site (Figure A-2, Appendix A); and intersects Upland Types (UT) 10, 13, and 18 and Wetland Types (WT) 7, 11, 14, 15, 21, and 23. In 2023, 58.2 percent of the transect intercepted wetland habitat, a slight decrease from 61.7 percent in 2022. Total vegetation species increased by one with the addition of one hydrophytic species. Total vegetative cover has remained relatively constant at 85–91 percent from 2017 to 2023.

Table 3. Data Summary for T-1 From 2010 and 2019 Through 2023 at the Easton Ranch Site

Monitoring Year	2010	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Transect Length (feet)	1,376	1,376	1,376	1,376	1,376	1,376
Vegetation Community Transitions Along Transect	11	12	13	17	17	17
Vegetation Communities Along Transect	3	10	9	12	12	9
Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities Along Transect	1	4	5	7	7	6
Total Vegetative Species	33	52	54	53	62	60
Total Hydrophytic Species	15	32	38	40	42	43
Total Upland Species	18	20	16	13	19	17
Estimated % Total Vegetative Cover	65	89	90	91	91	91
Estimated % Unvegetated	35	11	10	9	9	9
% Transect Length Comprising Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities	28	19.3	42.2	61.7	61.7	58.2
% Transect Length Comprising Upland Vegetation Communities	70	80.7	57.8	38.3	38.3	41.8
% Transect Length Comprising Unvegetated Open Water	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0
% Transect Length Comprising Mud Flat	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0

Data collected on T-2 (Wetland Mitigation Site Monitoring form, Appendix B) are summarized in Table 4. This changed slightly from 2023. T-2 is 1,333 feet long, runs north to south across the west side of the site, and intersects Upland Types 13 and 18 and Wetland Types 7, 11, 14, 15, and 21. Hydrophytic vegetation communities comprised 64.7 percent of the transect in 2023, a four percent increase since 2022. Total vegetative species remained the same from 2022. Total vegetative cover has remained relatively constant at 85–91 percent from 2017 to 2023.

Table 4. Data Summary for T-2 From 2010 and 2019 Through 2023 at the Easton Ranch Site

Monitoring Year	2010	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Transect Length (feet)	1,333	1,333	1,333	1,333	1,333	1,333
Vegetation Community Transitions Along Transect	11	14	13	11	11	10
Vegetation Communities Along Transect	4	9	9	9	9	7
Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities Along Transect	2	6	6	6	6	5
Total Vegetative Species	35	59	61	60	61	61
Total Hydrophytic Species	17	46	46	47	45	46
Total Upland Species	18	13	15	13	17	15
Estimated % Total Vegetative Cover	65	90	90	91	91	91
Estimated % Unvegetated	35	10	10	9	9	9
% Transect Length Comprising Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities	38.7	46.1	46.5	61.7	61.7	64.7
% Transect Length Comprising Upland Vegetation Communities	61.3	53.9	53.5	38.3	38.3	35.3
% Transect Length Comprising Unvegetated Open Water	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
% Transect Length Comprising Mud Flat	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0

Data collected on T-3 (Wetland Mitigation Site Monitoring form, Appendix B) are summarized in Table 5. This transect remained relatively unchanged since 2022. T-3 is 732 feet long, runs west to east across the south end of the site, and intersects vegetation communities, Upland Type 13 and Wetland Types 11 and 14. Approximately 58 percent of the transect crossed wetland habitat in 2023, which is an almost four percent increase from 2022. The total number of species increased by one, with the addition of one upland species. Total vegetative cover has remained relatively constant at 85–91 percent from 2017 to 2023.

Table 5. Data Summary for T-3 From 2010 and 2019 Through 2023 at the Easton Ranch Site

Monitoring Year	2010	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Transect Length (feet)	732	732	732	732	732	732
Vegetation Community Transitions Along Transect	11	6	6	6	6	6
Vegetation Communities Along Transect	3	4	4	4	4	3
Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities Along Transect	1	2	2	2	2	2
Total Vegetative Species	24	40	29	27	27	28
Total Hydrophytic Species	11	27	19	19	19	19
Total Upland Species	13	13	10	8	8	9
Estimated % Total Vegetative Cover	65	91	90	91	91	91
Estimated % Unvegetated	35	9	10	9	9	9
% Transect Length Comprising Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities	45	51.5	54.8	54.5	54.5	57.8
% Transect Length Comprising Upland Vegetation Communities	55	48.5	45.2	45.5	45.5	42.2
% Transect Length Comprising Unvegetated Open Water	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0
% Transect Length Comprising Mud Flat	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0

Several hundred cuttings and containerized plant materials were planted along the constructed flood channel to increase channel stability. A thorough inventory of planted woody species is no longer possible 14 years after construction because it is not possible to identify planted versus naturally recruited trees and shrubs. The difficulty in counting the planted materials was largely due to the success of natural recruitment on the site. In 2021, approximately four red-osier dogwood (*Cornus alba*), 51 narrow-leaf willow (*Salix exigua*), 99 speckled alder (*Alnus incana*), and 85 willow cuttings were identified as surviving. During the 2023 monitoring event, only healthy trees and shrubs were observed, so it can be assumed all the woody species counted in 2021 were surviving in 2023.

The abundance and canopy cover of woody volunteer species continues to increase across the site. quaking aspen (*Populus tremuloides*) saplings are thriving and spreading along the north and northeastern project boundaries. Volunteer speckled alder, narrow-leaf willow, and balsam poplar (*Populus balsamifera*) were noted along the channel, are establishing well, and have slightly increased in cover since 2022. Volunteer narrow-leaf willow, Bebb's willow (*Salix bebbiana*), and yellow willow (*Salix lutea*) have increased in areas outside of the channel and were observed in abundance within Wetland Type (WT) 11, WT14, WT15, and WT21 across the site. Young cottonwoods were also observed within WT14, WT18, and WT21 along Transects 1 and 2 and around the perimeter of WT5 and WT14 in the western and southern portions of the project area. Speckled alder and red-osier dogwood were primarily observed along or within the excavated channel. However, many of the younger saplings are experiencing considerable herbivory, slowing the expansion of scrub-shrub wetlands.

During the June 2023 monitoring, new infestations of Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*), a Priority 2B noxious weed in Montana, were identified (Figure A-3, Appendix A). In addition, all of the Canada thistle infestations found in 2022 were also identified in 2023 for a combined total of 14 populations. All the Canada thistle infestations were less than 0.1-acre in size. Several of the population's cover class was rated as trace (< 1 percent), other populations were rated low (1–5 percent), two populations were rated moderate (6–25 percent), and one population was rated high (26–100 percent). Canada thistle infestations were found in both upland and wetland habitats. Canada thistle was observed in WT's 4, 5, 11, 14, 15, 20, and 23, and UT 10.

Infestations of gypsy-flower (*Cynoglossum officinale*), a Priority 2B noxious weed in Montana, were observed in 2023 (Figure A-3, Appendix A). All gypsy-flower populations were rated as cover class trace and located in UTs 13 and 18. In addition, a new population of the noxious weed sulphur cinquefoil (*Potentilla recta*), a Priority 2B noxious weed in Montana, was found in the southcentral portion of the site. Overall, annual weed management efforts have effectively controlled the spread of noxious weed populations across the site. However, a slight increase in weed cover was observed in 2023 compared to 2022, and one new weed species was found. MDT has an ongoing weed-control program that conducted weed management in the fall of 2023 and will continue in 2024.

Hydrology – The hydrology for the site is supplied from multiple sources, including a shallow seasonal groundwater table, direct precipitation, surface runoff, flood flows from the adjacent Shields River, and surface-water flows in the northern portion of the site. The surface-water flows into the site, emanate from an old flood channel draining a beaver pond complex along the northcentral boundary, and an irrigation canal located at the northeastern corner of the mitigation site. These sources of surface flow were not flowing during the June 2023 site visit. Approximately two percent of the site was inundated during the 2023 monitoring event, a one percent increase from 2022. During the 2023 visit the depressional areas in the south and east-central portions of the site were inundated as well as some of the wetland cells. However, the wetlands cells in the northeastern portion of the site were not inundated. Inundation depths ranged from 0.5 to 8 inches across the site. As in 2022, there was no recent evidence of overland flows from the Shields River within Transect 2 or the overflow channel. The overflow channel remained well vegetated, and the channel bottom remained stable.

Soils – Paired soil pits were excavated at ten locations within the mitigation area. The entire mitigation site was mapped as containing the Meadowcreek soil series by the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS 2023), which is not classified as a hydric soil (Figure A-2, Appendix A). Soil textures within wetland soil pits ranged from silty clay loam to loam. Hydric soil indicators were observed within all wetland soil pits, including depleted matrix and redox dark surface.

Soil textures within upland soil pits ranged from silty clay loam to silt loam. No hydric soil indicators were observed in any of the upland soil pits. The USACE wetland determination data forms in Appendix B provide additional field observations for the paired data points.

Photographs – Photographs taken at photo points 1–7 (PP1 to PP7), transect endpoints, and paired data points are provided in Appendix C, with comparisons between 2023 and the first year of monitoring. Please refer to previous year's monitoring reports for all previous annual photographs. <https://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/brochures/wetland-mitigation.aspx>

Functional Assessment – The 2023 results of the functional assessments are summarized in Table 6. Montana Wetland Assessment Method (MWAM) forms for the Easton Ranch Site are provided in Appendix B. Since monitoring began in 2010, the site has been divided into three Assessment Areas (AA)

for the purpose of functional assessment. Creation, Restoration, and Preservation AAs all rate as Category II wetlands with moderate to high ratings for many parameters, including MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat, General Wildlife Habitat, Flood Attenuation, Short- and Long-Term Surface-Water Storage, Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal, and Production Export/Food Chain Support.

Table 6. Montana Wetland Assessment Method Summary for the Easton Ranch Site

Function and Value Parameters From the 2008 Montana Wetland Assessment Method	2023 Restoration	2023 Preservation	2023 Creation
Listed/Proposed Threatened & Endangered (T&E) Species Habitat	Low (0.1)	Low (0.1)	Low (0.1)
Montana Natural Heritage Program Species (MTNHP) Habitat	High (0.9)	High (0.9)	High (0.9)
General Wildlife Habitat	Mod (0.7)	High (0.7)	High (0.9)
General Fish/Aquatic Habitat	NA	NA	NA
Flood Attenuation	Mod (0.6)	High (0.9)	High (0.8)
Short- and Long-Term, Surface-Water Storage	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	High (0.8)
Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	High (1.0)	High (1.0)	High (0.9)
Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	High (0.9)	NA	High (0.9)
Production Export/Food Chain Support	Mod (0.7)	High (0.9)	High (1.0)
Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)
Uniqueness	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)
Recreation/Education Potential (bonus points)	NA	NA	NA
Actual Points/Possible Points	6.60 / 10	6.20 / 9	7.60 / 10
% of Possible Score Achieved	66%	69%	76%
Overall Category	II	II	II

Wildlife – Seventeen bird species were identified at the site in 2023, including a Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) (Site Monitoring Form Appendix B). In addition to the bird species, white-tailed deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) and raccoon (*Procyon lotor*) tracks were observed along the eastern project boundary.

Stream Bank Stabilization – During the spring 2013 high-flow event, significant bank erosion occurred immediately upstream of PP4B. This erosion exposed the riprap and undermined the riprap and coir-wrapped soil lifts along an approximately 85-foot-long reconstructed bank, which caused significant loss of soil and willow cuttings. Photo point PP4B, located at the south end of the reconstructed bank, had to be relocated because of bank erosion and woody debris accumulation. Additional bank erosion has been noted since the dramatic lateral cutting event of 2013, and this bank section remains exposed and vulnerable. The 2018 runoff period was supported by above-average precipitation in June. From 2019 through 2023, bank erosion continued along the downstream (south) portion of the 85-foot-long bank and resulted in areas of undercutting and loss of finer textured subsoils.

Functional Units Summary – The 2023 functional units summary is summarized in Table 7. A total of 110.14 functional units were generated at the Easton site after applying the appropriate mitigation

ratios to the 2023 wetland acreage and multiplying that value by the points generated from the assessment area.

Table 7. Summary of Functional Units for Easton wetland mitigation site

Mitigation Type	2023 Delineated Acreage ^a	Ratio	2023 Mitigation Credit Acres	MWAM Actual Points	Functional Units
Restoration (Re-establishment)	1.64	1:1	1.64	6.60	10.82
Preservation	1.10	4:1	0.28	6.20	1.74
Establishment (Creation)	12.84	1:1	12.84	7.60	97.58
Functional Units (Mitigation Credit Acres × Actual Points)					110.14

^a0.64 acres of project impacts are not accounted for in the reported acreages

Credit Summary – Table 8 summarizes the estimated wetland credits based on the USACE-approved credit ratios and the wetland delineation completed in June 2023. Proposed mitigation included creating 24.95 acres of emergent and shrub/scrub wetlands, reestablishing a 1.56-acre flood channel, preserving 1.10 acres of pre-existing wetland, and maintaining 6.43 acres of upland buffer. Proposed wetland credits for the project site totaled 27.41 credit acres, which accounted for 0.67 acres of impacts associated with constructing the mitigation wetland. The total mitigation credit estimated in 2023 totaled 15.07 credit acres, which is slightly less than observed in 2022. The site is still approximately 12.34 acres short of the original goal of 27.41 credit acres. This shortfall is caused by the anticipated wetland acreage not developing as planned in the site's eastern, west central, and southwest portions of the site.

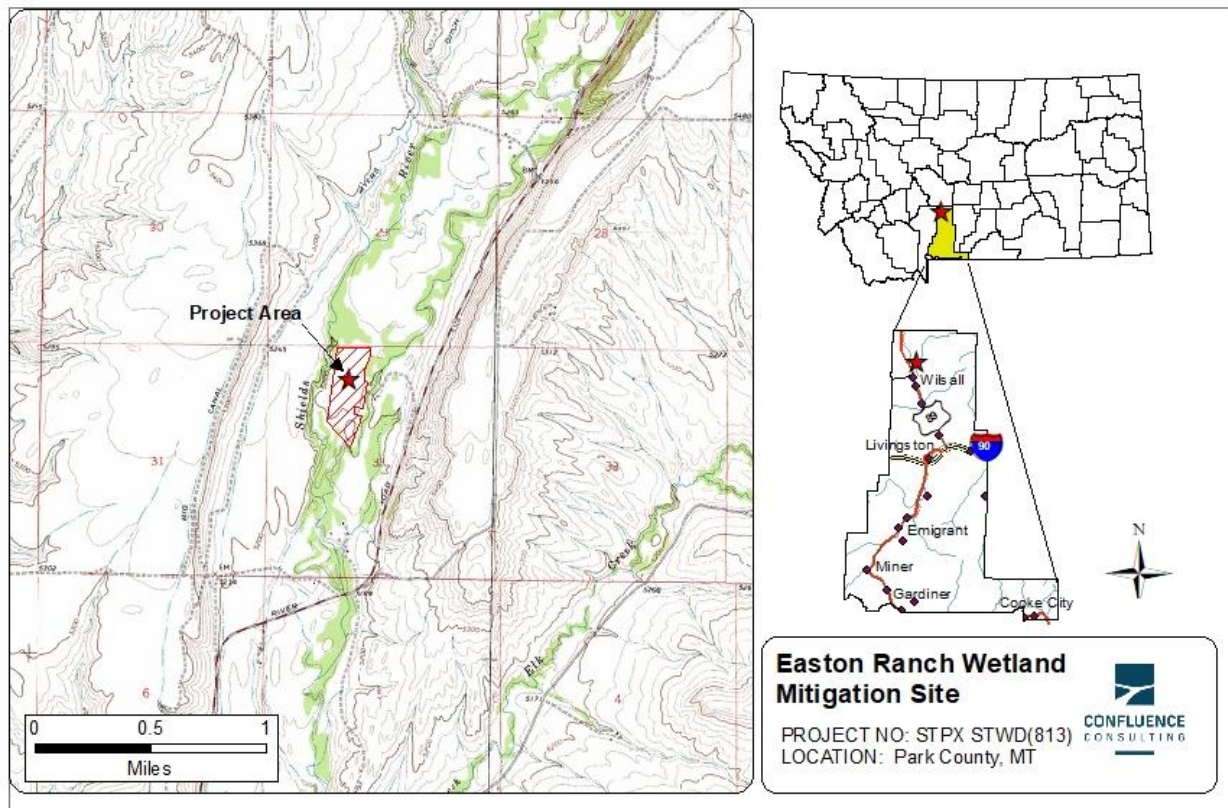
Table 8. Wetland Mitigation Credits Estimated for the Easton Ranch Site (2019–2023)

Proposed Mitigation Features	Compensatory Mitigation Type	USACE Mitigation Ratios	Anticipated Final Credit Acreages	Proposed Final Wetland Credits (Acres)	2020 Wetland Acreages	2020 Credit Estimated (Acres)	2021 Wetland Acreages	2021 Credit Estimated (Acres)	2022 Wetland Acreages	2022 Credit Estimated (Acres)	2023 Wetland Acreages	2023 Credit Estimated (Acres)
Creation of palustrine emergent wetland via shallow excavation	Establishment (Creation)	1:1	24.95	24.95	11.15	11.15	13.25	13.25	13.24	13.24	12.84	12.84
Reestablishment of relic flood channel	Restoration (Reestablishment)	1:1	1.56	1.56	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.64
Preservation of existing shrub/scrub and palustrine emergent wetland	Preservation	4:1	1.10	0.28	1.10	0.28	1.10	0.28	1.10	0.28	1.10	0.28
Establish a 50-foot-wide upland buffer on the perimeter of the site ^a	Upland Buffer	5:1	6.43	1.29	14.28	2.86	5.07	1.01	4.77	0.95	4.92	0.98
Project impacts			-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67	-0.67
Total Mitigation Credit Acres:				27.41		15.26		15.51		15.44		15.07

^a Upland buffer around perimeter of site does not include wetland areas.

Maps, Plans, Photos

Figure 1. Site Location Map



Project Area Maps/Figures: See Appendix A (Figure A-2 – 2023 Monitoring Activity Locations; Figure A-3 – 2023 Mapped Site Features; and Figure A-4 – 2023 Wetland Delineation)

Data Forms: See Appendix B (Site Monitoring form, USACE data forms, and MWAM forms)

Plant List: See Appendix B (Table B-1)

Photos: See Appendix C

Plans: See Appendix D of 2018 Easton Monitoring Report found at this link:
<https://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/brochures/wetland-mitigation.aspx>

Conclusions

Based on the results of the fourteenth year of monitoring, the mitigation site is continuing an upward trend toward a diverse wetland ecosystem. The site meets all performance standards except for wetland acreage development, and bank stabilization (deep-rooting riparian vegetation establishment). MDT will coordinate with the US Army Corps to discuss meeting these performance standards and potential adaptive management actions.

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APPENDIX A

PROJECT AREA MAPS

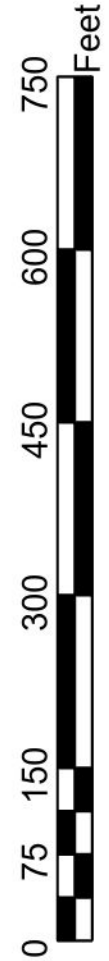
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Easton Ranch
Park County, Montana



Figure A-2. 2023 Monitoring Activity Locations



Easton Ranch Wetland Mitigation
2023 Monitoring Activity Locations



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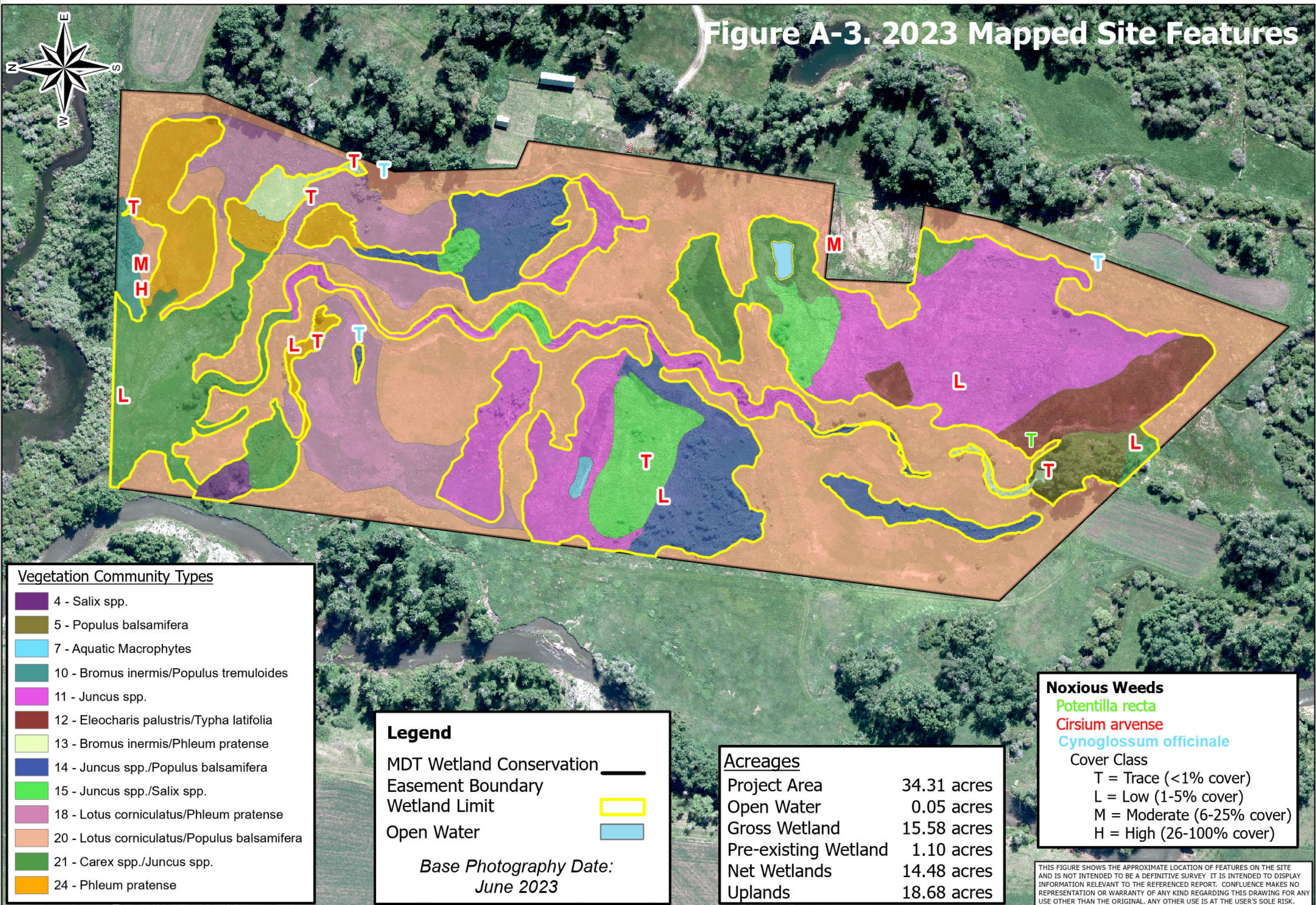
- MDT Wetland Conservation Easement Boundary
- Vegetation Transect
- Photo Points
- Bird Boxes
- Damaged Bird Boxes

Base Photography Date:
June 2023

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Easton Ranch Wetland Mitigation

2023 Mapped Site Features

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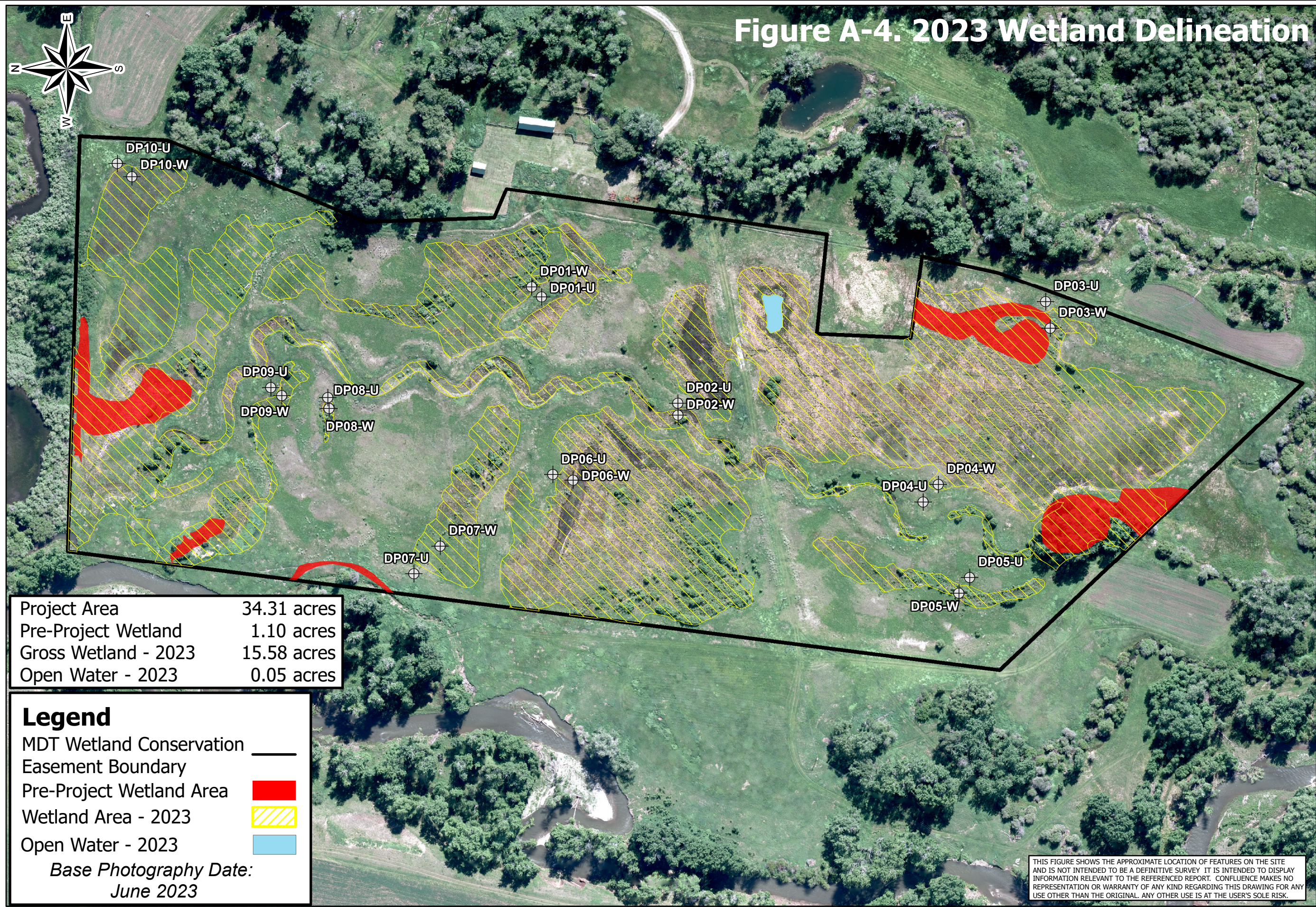
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APPENDIX B

MONITORING FORMS

MDT Wetland Mitigation Monitoring
Easton Ranch
Park County, Montana

MDT WETLAND MITIGATION SITE MONITORING FORM

Project Site: Easton Assessment Date/Time 6/20/2023

Person(s) conducting the assessment: S Weyant, J Trilling, K Kane

Weather: 80 degrees, sunny, clear Location: Northeast of Wilsall

MDT District: Butte Milepost: NA

Legal Description: T 4N R 9E Section(s) 32 NW 1/4

Initial Evaluation Date: 8/25/2010 Monitoring Year: 14 #Visits in Year: 1

Size of Evaluation Area: 34.31 (acres)

Land use surrounding wetland:

Agriculture, Shields River, Scrub/Shrub and Forested Riparian corridors.

HYDROLOGY

Surface Water Source: High groundwater, periodic overbank flow from the Shields River, irrigation

Inundation: ☒ Average Depth: 0.2 (ft) Range of Depths: 0.1-1.5 (ft)

Percent of assessment area under inundation: 1 %

Depth at emergent vegetation-open water boundary: 0.3 (ft)

If assessment area is not inundated then are the soils saturated within 12 inches of surface: Yes

Other evidence of hydrology on the site (ex. – drift lines, erosion, stained vegetation, etc.):

surface water, high water table, saturation, and sulfidic odor, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, geomorphic position, and FAC-Neutral.

Groundwater Monitoring Wells

Record depth of water surface below ground surface, in feet.

Additional Activities Checklist:

- ☒ Map emergent vegetation-open water boundary on aerial photograph.
- ☒ Observe extent of surface water during each site visit and look for evidence of past surface water elevations (drift lines, erosion, vegetation staining, etc.)
- ☒ Use GPS to survey groundwater monitoring well locations, if present.

Hydrology Notes:

Saturation within wetland cells was more prevalent than during the 2022 monitoring event potentially due to the 2023 monitoring occurring earlier in the year. In general, saturation was much more prevalent within the southern portion of the site.

VEGETATION COMMUNITIES

Site Easton

(Cover Class Codes **0** = < 1%, **1** = 1-5%, **2** = 6-10%, **3** = 11-20%, **4** = 21-50% , **5** = >50%)

Community # 4 **Community Type:** Salix spp. / **Acres:** 0.14

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Carex nebrascensis	2	Elymus repens	2
Mentha arvensis	1	Phalaris arundinacea	3
Phleum pratense	1	Ribes inerme	1
Ribes lacustre	2	Salix bebbiana	1
Salix drummondiana	4	Salix lasiandra	3
Scirpus microcarpus	1	Urtica dioica	1

Comments:

Preserved scrub-shrub community along the banks of the Shields River. Dominated by Salix drummondiana and Salix lasiandra. Unchanged from 2022.

Community # 5 **Community Type:** Populus balsamifera / **Acres:** 0.41

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bromus inermis	2	Cirsium arvense	2
Glyceria striata	2	Populus angustifolia	4
Populus balsamifera	4	Salix bebbiana	2
Salix lasiandra	2	Scirpus microcarpus	2
Scutellaria lateriflora	2		

Comments:

Preserved forested wetland area along the southern project boundary.

Community # 7 **Community Type:** Aquatic macrophytes /**Acres:** 0.09

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Algae, green	3	Alopecurus geniculatus	0
Bare Ground	2	Beckmannia syzigachne	1
Carex nebrascensis	0	Carex pellita	1
Carex utriculata	2	Cornus alba	0
Eleocharis palustris	2	Glyceria grandis	1
Hippuris vulgaris	0	Juncus balticus	2
Juncus effusus	2	Juncus ensifolius	0
Mentha arvensis	1	Open Water	4
Ranunculus aquatilis	0	Ranunculus gmelinii	0
Ruppia maritima	1	Salix lutea	1
Schoenoplectus pungens	1	Scirpus microcarpus	1
Typha latifolia	2		

Comments:

This CT consists of two cells. The eastern cell qualifies as open water because it contains less than 5% emergent vegetation, while the western cell contains more than 5% vegetation and therefore does not qualify as open water.

Community # 10 **Community Type:** Bromus inermis / Populus tremuloides**Acres:** 0.19

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bromus inermis	4
Carum carvi	1	Cirsium arvense	0
Dactylis glomerata	2	Elymus repens	1
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	3	Poa palustris	1
Poa pratensis	1	Populus balsamifera	0
Populus tremuloides	3	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium pratense	1		

Comments:

Small CT along the northern project boundary.

Community # 11 Community Type: Juncus spp. /**Acres:** 5.54

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alopecurus arundinaceus	1
Alopecurus pratensis	1	Bare Ground	1
Bromus inermis	1	Carex aquatilis	1
Carex atherodes	1	Carex bebbii	1
Carex nebrascensis	1	Carex utriculata	2
Carum carvi	1	Cirsium arvense	1
Deschampsia caespitosa	0	Equisetum arvense	2
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus effusus	2
Juncus ensifolius	0	Juncus longistylis	2
Juncus tenuis	0	Lotus corniculatus	3
Lysimachia ciliata	0	Mentha arvensis	0
Phalaris arundinacea	1	Phleum pratense	1
Poa palustris	1	Poa pratensis	1
Populus balsamifera	1	Salix bebbiana	1
Salix lutea	1	Schedonorus pratensis	0
Scirpus microcarpus	1	Solidago gigantea	0
Stachys pilosa	1		

Comments:

The coverage of This CT remained relatively unchanged since 2022. This CT contains a wide diversity of native wetland vegetation.

Community # 12 Community Type: Eleocharis palustris / Typha latifolia**Acres:** 0.98

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alopecurus pratensis	1
Beckmannia syzigachne	1	Carex aquatilis	1
Carex utriculata	2	Eleocharis palustris	1
Glyceria elata	1	Juncus balticus	1
Mentha arvensis	1	Phalaris arundinacea	1
Ruppia maritima	1	Typha latifolia	4

Comments:

The coverage of This CT remained relatively unchanged since 2022.

Community # 13 **Community Type:** Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense**Acres:** 13.86

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Achillea millefolium	0	Agrostis stolonifera	1
Alopecurus arundinaceus	0	Alopecurus pratensis	0
Alyssum alyssoides	0	Bare Ground	1
Bromus arvensis	0	Bromus ciliatus	0
Bromus inermis	3	Camelina microcarpa	1
Carex nebrascensis	0	Carum carvi	1
Cirsium arvense	1	Dactylis glomerata	1
Elymus repens	2	Equisetum arvense	0
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	0	Juncus balticus	1
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	3
Lysimachia ciliata	0	Medicago sativa	0
Melilotus officinalis	0	Phalaris arundinacea	0
Phleum pratense	3	Poa palustris	1
Poa pratensis	2	Populus balsamifera	1
Ranunculus macounii	0	Salix exigua	1
Salix lutea	0	Schedonorus pratensis	0
Sisyrinchium idahoense	0	Stachys pilosa	0
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thlaspi arvense	0
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	1

Comments:

This CT increased in size significantly due to absorbing CTs 1, 16, and 17. In 2023 it was observed that the species composition of upland CTs 1, 16, and 17 were too similar to remain separate CTs and were combined with CT 13, which is similar in species composition to the CTs being removed.

Community # 14 **Community Type:** Juncus spp. / Populus balsamifera**Acres:** 2.39

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alnus incana	1
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Bare Ground	1
Carex nebrascensis	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carex utriculata	1
Carum carvi	0	Carum carvi	0
Cirsium arvense	0	Deschampsia caespitosa	1
Elymus repens	0	Equisetum arvense	1
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus effusus	2
Lotus corniculatus	1	Mentha arvensis	1
Phleum pratense	1	Poa palustris	2
Poa pratensis	0	Populus angustifolia	1
Populus balsamifera	4	Potentilla gracilis	0
Salix bebbiana	1	Salix boothii	1
Salix drummondiana	1	Salix exigua	1
Salix lasiandra	0	Salix lutea	2
Sinapis arvensis	0	Sisyrinchium idahoense	0
Symphyotrichum subspicatum	0	Taraxacum officinale	0
Trifolium hybridum	0	Trifolium pratense	0

Comments:

No open water was observed in this CT in 2023. Populus balsamifera was observed as saplings and appear to be increasing in size. However significant herbivory was observed on the cottonwoods.

Community # 15 **Community Type:** Juncus spp. / Salix spp.

Acres: 1.45

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	0	Alnus incana	1
Bare Ground	1	Carex nebrascensis	2
Carex pachystachya	0	Carex pellita	0
Carex utriculata	1	Carum carvi	0
Cicuta douglasii	1	Cirsium arvense	0
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus effusus	1
Juncus tenuis	1	Lotus corniculatus	0
Mentha arvensis	1	Phalaris arundinacea	0
Poa palustris	0	Populus balsamifera	2
Potentilla anserina	1	Salix bebbiana	2
Salix boothii	0	Salix drummondiana	1
Salix exigua	1	Salix lasiandra	1
Salix lutea	3	Scirpus microcarpus	1
Sisyrinchium idahoense	0	Stachys pilosa	1
Taraxacum officinale	0		

Comments:

In 2023 this CT did not change in size. Significant browse by wildlife was observed on willows in the CT.

Community # 18 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense**Acres:** 2.9

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Achillea millefolium	0	Agrostis stolonifera	1
Alnus incana	1	Alopecurus arundinaceus	2
Bare Ground	1	Bromus carinatus	0
Bromus inermis	0	Bromus tectorum	0
Camelina microcarpa	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carum carvi	2
Elymus repens	1	Elymus trachycaulus	0
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	2
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	4
Medicago lupulina	1	Melilotus officinalis	0
Open Water	0	Phalaris arundinacea	0
Phleum pratense	3	Poa palustris	0
Poa pratensis	2	Populus balsamifera	1
Rumex salicifolius	0	Salix exigua	1
Schedonorus pratensis	1	Solidago lepidota	0
Stachys pilosa	0	Taraxacum officinale	1
Thlaspi arvense	1	Tragopogon dubius	0
Trifolium hybridum	2	Trifolium pratense	1

Comments:

Upland CT first identified in 2018, mainly across the northern portion of site. In 2021 it was thought much of this CT in the northeastern portion of the project area was transitioning to wetland, however during the 2022 and 2023 monitoring events, wetlands in this area did not increase.

Community # 20 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Populus balsamifera**Acres:** 0.3

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Elymus repens	2
Equisetum arvense	1	Lotus corniculatus	4
Phleum pratense	3	Populus balsamifera	3
Salix exigua	1		

Comments:

A CT mapped in 2019 in the northeastern corner of the project area replacing a small area within CT 18. There are many young cottonwoods in this CT and it is anticipated this CT will expand slowly in the future. However, there was no noticeable change in this CT from 2022.

Community # 21 **Community Type:** Carex spp. / Juncus spp.**Acres:** 3

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	2	Alopecurus arundinaceus	1
Bare Ground	3	Calamagrostis canadensis	1
Carex aquatilis	1	Carex atherodes	2
Carex bebbii	1	Carex microptera	1
Carex nebrascensis	1	Carex pachystachya	3
Carex pellita	3	Carex utriculata	1
Carum carvi	0	Cirsium arvense	0
Dactylis glomerata	0	Deschampsia caespitosa	1
Eleocharis palustris	0	Elymus repens	1
Epilobium ciliatum	1	Equisetum arvense	1
Glyceria grandis	1	Juncus balticus	4
Juncus effusus	1	Juncus ensifolius	0
Juncus longistylis	1	Juncus tenuis	1
Lotus corniculatus	1	Lysimachia ciliata	0
Mentha arvensis	1	Open Water	1
Phalaris arundinacea	0	Phleum pratense	1
Poa palustris	0	Poa pratensis	1
Populus balsamifera	1	Ranunculus macounii	0
Salix bebbiana	1	Salix exigua	1
Salix lasiandra	0	Salix lutea	1
Scirpus microcarpus	1	Stachys pilosa	1
Taraxacum officinale	0	Typha latifolia	1

Comments:

A new CT mapped in 2019, within transects 1 and 2. This CT increased in size in 2023 by 0.44 acres because it absorbed CT 3 due to a convergence of species.

Community # 24 **Community Type:** Phleum pratense /

Acres: 1.33

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alnus incana	1
Alopecurus arundinaceus	2	Bare Ground	1
Bromus carinatus	0	Bromus inermis	1
Camelina microcarpa	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carum carvi	2
Cirsium arvense	1	Elymus repens	2
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	2
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	3
Medicago lupulina	1	Melilotus officinalis	0
Open Water	0	Phleum pratense	4
Poa palustris	0	Poa pratensis	2
Populus balsamifera	1	Rumex salicifolius	0
Salix exigua	1	Schedonorus pratensis	1
Solidago lepida	0	Stachys pilosa	0
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thlaspi arvense	1
Trifolium hybridum	2	Trifolium pratense	1

Comments:

Transitional wetland CT primarily along the northern end of Transect 1 created in 2023. This new vegetation community absorbed CT 22 and 23.

Total Vegetation Community Acreage

32.58

VEGETATION TRANSECTS

Site: Easton Date: 6/20/2023

Transect Number: 1 **Compass Direction from Start:** 5

Interval Data:

Ending Station 65 Community Type: Carex spp. / Juncus spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Brassica kaber	0
Carex nebrascensis	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carex utriculata	1
Cirsium arvense	0	Elymus repens	1
Epilobium ciliatum	0	Equisetum arvense	1
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus longistylis	1
Juncus tenuis	1	Mentha arvensis	1
Poa pratensis	1	Stachys pilosa	1

Ending Station 93 Community Type: Aquatic macrophytes /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Algae, green	3	Carex nebrascensis	0
Carex pellita	1	Carex utriculata	2
Eleocharis palustris	1	Glyceria grandis	1
Hippuris vulgaris	0	Juncus balticus	2
Juncus effusus	1	Juncus ensifolius	1
Mentha arvensis	1	Open Water	2
Ranunculus aquatilis	1	Ranunculus gmelinii	1
Salix lutea	1	Typha latifolia	2

Ending Station 137 Community Type: Carex spp. / Juncus spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	0	Carex aquatilis	2
Carex nebrascensis	1	Carex utriculata	2
Epilobium ciliatum	1	Juncus balticus	4
Juncus effusus	2	Juncus ensifolius	0
Mentha arvensis	0	Open Water	1
Phleum pratense	0	Poa palustris	0
Poa pratensis	0	Salix bebbiana	1
Salix lutea	1		

Ending Station 195 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	2	Bare Ground	1
Brassica kaber	0	Carex nebrascensis	1
Chenopodium album	0	Cirsium arvense	1
Dactylis glomerata	1	Elymus repens	4
Leymus cinereus	0	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	2	Poa palustris	0
Poa pratensis	3	Sinapis arvensis	0
Taraxacum officinale	0	Thlaspi arvense	0

Ending Station 288 Community Type: Carex spp. / Juncus spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alopecurus arundinaceus	1
Carex aquatilis	2	Carex utriculata	2
Carum carvi	0	Epilobium ciliatum	0
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	4
Juncus effusus	2	Lotus corniculatus	1
Open Water	1	Poa pratensis	1
Populus balsamifera	1	Salix bebbiana	1
Salix exigua	1	Salix lutea	1
Scirpus microcarpus	1	Taraxacum officinale	0
Typha latifolia	2		

Ending Station 468 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Achillea millefolium	0	Agrostis stolonifera	2
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Brassica kaber	0
Bromus inermis	3	Carex nebrascensis	2
Carum carvi	2	Cirsium arvense	1
Elymus repens	1	Equisetum arvense	3
Juncus balticus	1	Leymus cinereus	1
Lotus corniculatus	1	Melilotus officinalis	0
Phleum pratense	3	Poa pratensis	3
Populus balsamifera	1	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	1

Ending Station 509 Community Type: Juncus spp. /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Alopecurus pratensis	1
Bare Ground	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Cirsium arvense	0	Cirsium arvense	0
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus effusus	2
Juncus tenuis	0	Phleum pratense	1
Poa palustris	1	Poa pratensis	1
Schedonorus pratensis	1		

Ending Station 562 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alopecurus arundinaceus	3
Brassica kaber	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carum carvi	1	Cynoglossum officinale	0
Elymus repens	1	Equisetum arvense	1
Lotus corniculatus	2	Phleum pratense	2
Poa palustris	1	Poa pratensis	3
Populus balsamifera	1	Rumex salicifolius	1
Stachys pilosa	1	Thlaspi arvense	2
Trifolium hybridum	1		

Ending Station 662 Community Type: Juncus spp. / Populus balsamifera

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alopecurus arundinaceus	2
Bare Ground	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carum carvi	1
Cynoglossum officinale	0	Elymus repens	1
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	1
Juncus effusus	1	Lotus corniculatus	4
Phleum pratense	1	Poa palustris	1
Poa pratensis	1	Populus balsamifera	2
Potentilla gracilis	0	Salix lutea	1
Taraxacum officinale	0		

Ending Station 728 Community Type: Juncus spp. / Salix spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alnus incana	1	Carex pachystachya	1
Carex pellita	1	Carum carvi	1
Cirsium arvense	0	Juncus balticus	4
Lotus corniculatus	2	Phalaris arundinacea	1
Populus balsamifera	3	Potentilla gracilis	0
Salix bebbiana	2	Salix boothii	2
Salix exigua	2	Stachys pilosa	0
Taraxacum officinale	0		

Ending Station 891 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Achillea millefolium	0	Alnus incana	1
Bare Ground	1	Brassica kaber	0
Bromus tectorum	0	Carum carvi	2
Elymus trachycaulus	0	Equisetum arvense	1
Juncus balticus	2	Leymus cinereus	1
Lotus corniculatus	5	Medicago lupulina	1
Phalaris arundinacea	0	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	2	Populus balsamifera	1
Rumex salicifolius	1	Taraxacum officinale	1
Tragopogon dubius	0	Trifolium hybridum	1
Trifolium pratense	2		

Ending Station 1005 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alnus incana	1	Bare Ground	1
Camelina microcarpa	0	Carum carvi	2
Elymus repens	0	Elymus trachycaulus	0
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	2
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	4
Medicago lupulina	1	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	2	Populus balsamifera	1
Rumex salicifolius	1	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	1

Ending Station 1032 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus inermis	1
Carum carvi	2	Cirsium arvense	0
Cornus alba	0	Elymus repens	1
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	0
Leymus cinereus	3	Lotus corniculatus	4
Medicago lupulina	1	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	2	Populus balsamifera	1
Potentilla gracilis	0	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	2

Ending Station 1147 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Brassica kaber	0
Bromus inermis	1	Carum carvi	2
Cirsium arvense	1	Elymus repens	4
Equisetum arvense	2	Leymus cinereus	1
Lotus corniculatus	4	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	2	Taraxacum officinale	1

Ending Station 1172 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Brassica kaber	0
Bromus inermis	1	Carum carvi	2
Cirsium arvense	1	Elymus repens	4
Equisetum arvense	1	Leymus cinereus	1
Lotus corniculatus	4	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	2	Taraxacum officinale	1

Ending Station 1307 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus inermis	1
Carum carvi	2	Cirsium arvense	1
Elymus repens	4	Equisetum arvense	2
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	2
Phalaris arundinacea	0	Phleum pratense	3
Poa palustris	0	Poa pratensis	2
Taraxacum officinale	1		

Ending Station 1333 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bromus inermis	3
Carum carvi	0	Elymus repens	2
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	3	Poa pratensis	1
Taraxacum officinale	1		

Ending Station 1376 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Populus tremuloides

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bromus inermis	4
Carum carvi	2	Dactylis glomerata	2
Elymus repens	1	Equisetum arvense	1
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	3	Poa pratensis	2
Populus balsamifera	1	Populus tremuloides	3
Rosa woodsii	0	Taraxacum officinale	2

Transect Notes:

As in 2021, and 2022 no ponded water was observed within this transect in 2023. This transect remained largely unchanged from 2022. Similar to previous years, the cells in the northern portion of the transect exhibit marginal wetland development. In 2021 it was thought wetlands in this area may expand but since then no wetland expansion has been observed.

Transect Number: 2

Compass Direction from Start: 185

Interval Data:

Ending Station 215 Community Type: Carex spp. / Juncus spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Bare Ground	1
Brassica kaber	0	Bromus inermis	1
Carex atherodes	1	Carex bebbii	1
Carex nebrascensis	2	Carex pellita	2
Carex utriculata	3	Cirsium arvense	1
Eleocharis palustris	1	Elymus repens	3
Equisetum arvense	1	Glyceria grandis	0
Juncus balticus	3	Juncus longistylis	1
Juncus tenuis	1	Leymus cinereus	0
Lotus corniculatus	1	Lysimachia ciliata	0
Open Water	0	Phalaris arundinacea	1
Phleum pratense	2	Poa palustris	1
Poa pratensis	1	Poa pratensis	1
Salix bebbiana	1	Salix exigua	0
Salix lasiandra	1	Salix lutea	1
Scirpus microcarpus	2	Stachys pilosa	0
Stachys pilosa	0	Taraxacum officinale	1
Typha latifolia	0		

Ending Station 262 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bare Ground	1
Bromus inermis	1	Carum carvi	1
Cirsium arvense	1	Elymus repens	3
Elymus trachycaulus	1	Equisetum arvense	2
Juncus balticus	1	Leymus cinereus	1
Lotus corniculatus	0	Lysimachia ciliata	0
Medicago sativa	0	Phleum pratense	3
Poa pratensis	3	Populus balsamifera	1
Sisyrinchium idahoense	0	Stachys pilosa	1
Taraxacum officinale	2	Thlaspi arvense	0
Trifolium pratense	0		

Ending Station 358 Community Type: Carex spp. / Juncus spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	0	Bare Ground	1
Carex microptera	1	Carex pellita	1
Cirsium arvense	1	Equisetum arvense	1
Juncus balticus	2	Juncus tenuis	1
Lotus corniculatus	2	Lysimachia ciliata	1
Phleum pratense	1	Poa palustris	2
Poa pratensis	1	Populus balsamifera	2
Ranunculus macounii	0	Salix bebbiana	2
Salix lutea	1	Scirpus microcarpus	1
Stachys pilosa	1	Taraxacum officinale	1

Ending Station 655 Community Type: Lotus corniculatus / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alyssum alyssoides	0	Bare Ground	2
Bromus carinatus	0	Bromus inermis	1
Camelina microcarpa	0	Carex pellita	0
Carum carvi	2	Elymus repens	3
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	1
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	3
Lysimachia ciliata	0	Medicago lupulina	1
Melilotus officinalis	1	Phalaris arundinacea	0
Phleum pratense	3	Populus balsamifera	1
Schedonorus pratensis	1	Solidago lepida	1
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thlaspi arvense	1
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	1

Ending Station 758 Community Type: Juncus spp. /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bare Ground	0
Brassica kaber	0	Carex bebbii	1
Carex pachystachya	1	Juncus balticus	3
Juncus effusus	1	Juncus tenuis	1
Lotus corniculatus	4	Lysimachia ciliata	1
Phalaris arundinacea	0	Phleum pratense	1
Poa palustris	1	Poa pratensis	2
Populus balsamifera	2	Salix bebbiana	1
Salix lutea	1	Solidago gigantea	1

Ending Station 820 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus inermis	3
Carum carvi	1	Cirsium arvense	0
Elymus repens	1	Juncus balticus	1
Lotus corniculatus	2	Phleum pratense	2
Poa pratensis	3	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium pratense	2		

Ending Station 888 Community Type: Juncus spp. /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Carex aquatilis	1	Carex utriculata	1
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	4
Juncus effusus	2	Lotus corniculatus	2
Mentha arvensis	1	Poa palustris	2
Poa pratensis	1	Salix bebbiana	1
Scirpus microcarpus	1	Stachys pilosa	0

Ending Station 915 Community Type: Aquatic macrophytes /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Carex pellita	1	Carex utriculata	2
Eleocharis palustris	1	Juncus balticus	0
Juncus ensifolius	0	Open Water	3
Salix bebbiana	0	Schoenoplectus pungens	2
Scirpus microcarpus	0		

Ending Station 1055 Community Type: Juncus spp. / Salix spp.

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Alnus incana	1
Bare Ground	1	Carex nebrascensis	1
Carex utriculata	2	Cirsium arvense	0
Juncus balticus	4	Juncus effusus	1
Juncus tenuis	1	Leymus cinereus	1
Mentha arvensis	1	Poa palustris	1
Populus balsamifera	2	Potentilla anserina	0
Salix bebbiana	3	Salix drummondiana	2
Salix exigua	1	Salix lutea	3
Scirpus microcarpus	0	Solidago gigantea	1
Stachys pilosa	1		

Ending Station 1268 Community Type: Juncus spp. / Populus balsamifera

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	2	Alnus incana	1
Carex utriculata	1	Juncus balticus	3
Juncus effusus	1	Lotus corniculatus	2
Mentha arvensis	1	Poa palustris	3
Populus balsamifera	4	Salix bebbiana	3
Salix drummondiana	2	Salix lasiandra	3
Symphotrichum subspicatu	0		

Ending Station 1333 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alyssum alyssoides	2	Bare Ground	2
Bromus inermis	4	Elymus repens	1
Leymus cinereus	0	Lotus corniculatus	2
Phleum pratense	3	Poa pratensis	2
Populus balsamifera	1	Schedonorus pratensis	1
Taraxacum officinale	1	Tragopogon dubius	0
Trifolium pratense	1		

Transect Notes:

The open water reported along this transect in 2021 was observed to be an emergent wetland in 2022 and again in 2023. The vegetation communities and wetland boundaries across this transect remained relatively unchanged since the 2022 monitoring event.

Transect Number: 3 **Compass Direction from Start:** 95

Interval Data:

Ending Station 127 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alyssum alyssoides	0	Bromus arvensis	0
Bromus inermis	3	Camelina microcarpa	0
Carum carvi	2	Elymus repens	1
Equisetum arvense	0	Juncus balticus	0
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	3
Phleum pratense	2	Poa pratensis	2
Populus balsamifera	1	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium hybridum	1	Trifolium pratense	2

Ending Station 163 Community Type: Juncus spp. / Populus balsamifera

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	0	Carum carvi	1
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	4
Lotus corniculatus	4	Phleum pratense	1
Populus balsamifera	3	Salix bebbiana	2
Salix lutea	1	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium hybridum	1		

Ending Station 215 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bromus inermis	3	Carum carvi	1
Dactylis glomerata	0	Elymus repens	2
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	1
Leymus cinereus	1	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	2	Poa pratensis	2
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thlaspi arvense	0

Ending Station 227 Community Type: Juncus sp. / Populus balsamifera

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Brassica kaber	0
Carex utriculata	2	Carum carvi	2
Cirsium arvense	2	Equisetum arvense	2
Juncus balticus	1	Lotus corniculatus	3
Phleum pratense	1	Poa palustris	1
Poa pratensis	1	Populus balsamifera	4
Salix lutea	1	Taraxacum officinale	1

Ending Station 316 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Brassica kaber	0	Bromus inermis	3
Carum carvi	1	Dactylis glomerata	0
Elymus repens	3	Equisetum arvense	1
Juncus balticus	1	Lotus corniculatus	1
Phleum pratense	4	Poa pratensis	2
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thlaspi arvense	1
Trifolium pratense	1		

Ending Station 691 Community Type: Juncus spp. /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Brassica kaber	0	Carex nebrascensis	0
Carex pachystachya	1	Carex utriculata	3
Carum carvi	1	Cirsium arvense	1
Equisetum arvense	1	Juncus balticus	4
Juncus longistylis	1	Leymus cinereus	0
Lotus corniculatus	1	Poa pratensis	1
Populus balsamifera	1	Salix bebbiana	2
Salix lutea	1	Solidago gigantea	1

Ending Station 732 Community Type: Bromus inermis / Phleum pratense

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Agrostis stolonifera	1	Bromus inermis	3
Carum carvi	1	Dactylis glomerata	0
Elymus repens	2	Equisetum arvense	1
Lotus corniculatus	1	Phleum pratense	2
Poa pratensis	4	Taraxacum officinale	1
Trifolium pratense	1		

Transect Notes:

The vegetation community boundaries and composition within this transect remained nearly unchanged from 2022. This transect has remained relatively stable since 2017.

PLANTED WOODY VEGETATION SURVIVAL

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Planting Type	#Planted	#Alive	Notes
Narrow-leaf willow	250	51	
Red-osier dogwood	250	4	
Thinleaf alder	500	99	
Willow cuttings	200	85	

Comments

Woody shrubs were counted along and adjacent to the floodplain channel. After 14 years, deciphering planted versus volunteer willows was difficult and therefore used best professional judgement. Many of the larger thinleaf alder were 8 to 10 ft tall, robust and thriving where planted. The number of red-osier dogwoods observed continued to decrease, and appear stunted with new growth occurring at the base potentially as a result of herbivory and/or drought. A high percent of woody vegetation cover is provided by *Populus balsamifera* volunteers that have appeared across the site in the last few years, especially in *Juncus* spp. communities. A substantial amount of herbivory was noted on the smaller shrubs throughout the site.

WILDLIFE**Birds**Were man-made nesting structures installed? YesIf yes, type of structure: Bird boxesHow many? 17Are the nesting structures being used? YesDo the nesting structures need repairs? Yes**Nesting Structure Comments:**

Of the 17 installed bird boxes, many were occupied, likely by house wrens or contained twigs and nesting debris. One box (located between PP4a and PP4b) was knocked over and needs to be resecured to the fencepost. The two boxes at the southwest corner of the project area are missing their roofs. Unchanged since 2022.

Species	#Observed	Behavior	Habitat
American Crow	5	L	
American Robin	2	L	
Bald Eagle	1	FO	
Common Nighthawk	2	FO	
Eastern Kingbird	4	L, FO	
Golden Eagle	1	FO	
House Wren	6	L	
Killdeer	1	L, F	
Mallard	2	L	
Mourning Dove	3	L	
Red-naped Sapsucker	1	L	
Red-tailed Hawk	1	FO	
Red-winged Blackbird	24	L, FO, F	
Sandhill Crane	2	L, FO	
Starling	3	FO	
Tree Swallow	10	FO	
Wilson's Phalarope	1	F	
Wilson's Snipe	2	F, L	
Yellow Warbler	3	L	
Yellow-headed Blackbird	4	L	

Bird Comments

Eagle nest outside of the southwestern portion of project was not occupied this year but an immature Golden Eagle and a mature Bald Eagle were observed soaring over the project area.

BEHAVIOR CODES

BP = One of a breeding pair **BD** = Breeding display **F** = Foraging **FO** = Flyover **L** = Loafing **N** = Nesting

HABITAT CODES

AB = Aquatic bed **SS** = Scrub/Shrub **FO** = Forested **UP** = Upland buffer **I** = Island

WM = Wet meadow **MA** = Marsh **US** = Unconsolidated shore **MF** = Mud Flat **OW** = Open Water

Mammals and Herptiles

Species	# Observed	Tracks	Scat	Burrows	Comments
Raccoon			Yes	No	No
White-tailed Deer	6		Yes	Yes	No

Wildlife Comments:

Site utilized by diversity of bird and wildlife species.
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PHOTOGRAPHS

Take photographs of the following permanent reference points listed in the check list below. Record the direction of the photograph using a compass. When at the site for the first time, establish a permanent reference point by setting a ½ inch rebar or fencepost extending 2-3 feet above ground. Survey the location with a resource grade GPS and mark the location on the aerial photograph.

Photograph Checklist:

- ☐ One photograph for each of the four cardinal directions surrounding the wetland.
- ☒ At least one photograph showing upland use surrounding the wetland. If more than one upland exists then take additional photographs.
- ☒ At least one photograph showing the buffer surrounding the wetland.
- ☒ One photograph from each end of the vegetation transect, showing the transect.

Photo #	Latitude	Longitude	Bearing	Description
DP01u	46.0587914834	-110.638144797		
DP01w	46.0588423395	-110.638073567		
DP02u	46.0581001962	-110.63889537		
DP02w	46.0580987494	-110.638981998		
DP03u	46.0562634049	-110.638124662		
DP03w	46.0562381341	-110.638314749		
DP04u	46.0568629488	-110.639580112		
DP04w	46.0567877597	-110.639451702		
DP05u	46.0566234219	-110.640120133		
DP05w	46.0566767361	-110.640234402		
DP06u	46.0587224565	-110.639423514		
DP06w	46.0586200035	-110.639462254		
DP07u	46.0594114683	-110.640152663		
DP07w	46.059281427	-110.639948676		
DP08u	46.0598562416	-110.638891608		
DP08w	46.0598495525	-110.638969981		
DP09u	46.0601430034	-110.638825365		
DP09w	46.0600870776	-110.638882878		
DP10u	46.0609288137	-110.637227287		
DP10w	46.0608552072	-110.63731976		
PP1	46.059727	-110.637505		East boundary
PP2	46.061028	-110.637207		Northeast corner
PP3	46.061188	-100.639848		Northeast corner
PP4	46.050705	-110.640434		Shields bank
PP4	46.060993	-110.640121		Shields bank
PP5	46.059883	-110.640404		West boundary
PP6	46.056175	-110.64048		Southwest corner

PP7	46.055286	-110.639137	Southeast corner
T-1 End	46.060627	-110.637779	View of CT 10 and 18
T-1 Start	46.057281	-110.638306	View of CT 11 and 7
T-2 End	46.057594	-110.640343	View of CT 1
T-2 Start	46.060139	-110.639229	View of CT 3
T-3 End	46.056114	-110.637924	View of CT 1 and 11
T-3 Start	46.056984	-110.640656	View of CT 13

Comments:

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ADDITIONAL ITEMS CHECKLIST

Hydrology

- ☒ Map emergent vegetation/open water boundary on aerial photos.
- ☒ Observe extent of surface water. Look for evidence of past surface water elevations (e.g. drift lines, vegetation staining, erosion, etc).

Photos

- ☐ One photo from the wetland toward each of the four cardinal directions
- ☒ One photo showing upland use surrounding the wetland.
- ☒ One photo showing the buffer around the wetland
- ☒ One photo from each end of each vegetation transect, toward the transect

Vegetation

- ☒ Map vegetation community boundaries
- ☒ Complete Vegetation Transects

Soils

- ☒ Assess soils

Wetland Delineations

- ☒ Delineate wetlands according to applicable USACE protocol (1987 form or Supplement)
- ☒ Delineate wetland – upland boundary onto aerial photograph.

Wetland Delineation Comments

Total wetland acreage decreased 0.35 acres since 2022. Wetland boundaries have changed little in the past three years.

Functional Assessments

- ☒ Complete and attach full MDT Montana Wetland Assessment Method field forms.

Functional Assessment Comments:

Total functional units for 2023 are 109.11. Functional units have changed little in the past few years.

Maintenance

Were man-made nesting structure installed at this site? Yes

If yes, do they need to be repaired? Yes

If yes, describe the problems below and indicate if any actions were taken to remedy the problems

Were man-made structures built or installed to impound water or control water flow

into or out of the wetland? Yes

If yes, are the structures in need of repair? Yes

If yes, describe the problems below.

Bank erosion was noted along the Shields River in the northwest portion of the project area. A few bird boxes (see wildlife section) need repair.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP01u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Berm Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.058791 Long: -110.638145 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: 1 inch higher in elevation than DP01w.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>50.00</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: Multiply by: OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>29</u> x 3 = <u>87</u> FACU species <u>1</u> x 4 = <u>4</u> UPL species <u>70</u> x 5 = <u>350</u> Column Totals: <u>100</u> (A) <u>441</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.41</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>60</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>	
2. <u>Alopecurus arundinaceus</u>	<u>29</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
3. <u>Thlaspi arvense</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>UPL</u>	
4. <u>Galium aparine</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FACU</u>	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>100</u> = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>0</u>				
Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP01u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 11	10YR 2/2	100					Silty Clay Loam	
11 - 17	10YR 3/2	100					Sandy Clay Loam	
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)****Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	

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

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

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

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP01w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Swale Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.058842 Long: -110.638074 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
0 = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>58</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>58</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>11</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>22</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>21</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>63</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)</td> <td><u>143</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>1.59</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>58</u>	x 1 = <u>58</u>	FACW species <u>11</u>	x 2 = <u>22</u>	FAC species <u>21</u>	x 3 = <u>63</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)	<u>143</u> (B)
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FAC species <u>21</u>	x 3 = <u>63</u>																	
FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>																	
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>90</u> (A)	<u>143</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Populus balsamifera</u> <u>15</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 2. <u>Salix exigua</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 16 = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Scirpus microcarpus</u> <u>50</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 2. <u>Juncus balticus</u> <u>10</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Carex pellita</u> <u>8</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 4. <u>Alopecurus arundinaceus</u> <u>3</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 5. <u>Equisetum arvense</u> <u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 6. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 74 = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ 0 = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>26</u>																		
Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.																		
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>																		

Remarks:
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than 3.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP01W

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 3/2	100					Silty Clay Loam	
4 - 16	10YR 3/2	85	10YR 6/6	15	C	M	Silty Clay Loam	Charcoal in pit
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-								
-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

The soil was very moist.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-21
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP02u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Berm Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.0581 Long: -110.638895 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: 3 inches higher elevation than DP02w.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>9</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>82</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>410</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A)</td> <td><u>419</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.93</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>	FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>	FAC species <u>3</u>	x 3 = <u>9</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>82</u>	x 5 = <u>410</u>	Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A)	<u>419</u> (B)
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FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>																	
UPL species <u>82</u>	x 5 = <u>410</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A)	<u>419</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Bromus inermis</u> <u>80</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 2. <u>Thlaspi arvense</u> <u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 3. <u>Poa pratensis</u> <u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 4. <u>Equisetum arvense</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>15</u>																		
Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP02u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 16	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
-								
-								
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP02w
 Investigator(s): J Trilling, S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Swale Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.058099 Long: -110.638982 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM1C

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

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SOIL

Sampling Point: DP02w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominant redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>6</u>
Water Table Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>9</u>
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>7</u>

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology visible in soil saturation to 7 inches, a high water table at a depth of 9 inches, and surface water present less than 3 feet away from sample point.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP03u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056263 Long: -110.638125 Datum: NAD 83
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Remarks: DP03u is a foot higher in elevation than DP03w. DP03u is 6 feet higher in elevation than the stream channel to the east. Although this area has soils, it lacks sustained wetland hydrology and doesn't support hydrophytic vegetation. Topology is locally elevated.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

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Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP03u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 7	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
7 - 18	10YR 4/2	90	10YR 5/6	10	C	M	Loam	Along sandy pockets
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Although this sample point has hydric soils, it lacks wetland hydrology and hydrophytic vegetation.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): _____
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): _____
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): _____

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-21
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP03w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Linear Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056238 Long: -110.638315 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell 3.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
			<u>0</u> = Total Cover	Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>7</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>7</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>66</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>132</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>17</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>51</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>5</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>20</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>15</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>98</u> (A)</td> <td><u>225</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.30</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>7</u>	x 1 = <u>7</u>	FACW species <u>66</u>	x 2 = <u>132</u>	FAC species <u>17</u>	x 3 = <u>51</u>	FACU species <u>5</u>	x 4 = <u>20</u>	UPL species <u>3</u>	x 5 = <u>15</u>	Column Totals: <u>98</u> (A)	<u>225</u> (B)
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UPL species <u>3</u>	x 5 = <u>15</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>98</u> (A)	<u>225</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Salix bebbiana</u>	<u>35</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
2. <u>Salix lasiandra</u>	<u>8</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
5. _____	_____	_____	_____															
			<u>43</u> = Total Cover															
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.														
1. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>20</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
2. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>15</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
3. <u>Carex nebrascensis</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>OBL</u>															
4. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FACU</u>															
5. <u>Juncus ensifolius</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
6. <u>Carex pellita</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>OBL</u>															
7. <u>Medicago sativa</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>UPL</u>															
8. <u>Equisetum arvense</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
9. <u>Trifolium arvense</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>UPL</u>															
10. <u>Cirsium arvense</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
			<u>55</u> = Total Cover															
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)																		
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
			<u>0</u> = Total Cover															
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>45</u>																		
Remarks:																		
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP03w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 7	10YR 3/2	100					Silty Clay Loam	
7 - 18	2.5Y 4/2	80	7.5YR 5/8	20	C	M	Sandy Clay Loam	Gravel and cobbles 14
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 7
(includes capillary fringe)Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology visible in soil saturation to 7 inches. Very moist soil above the saturated soils.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP04u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Berm Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056863 Long: -110.63958 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Upland sample point adjacent to DP04w and wetland cell 4.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>50</u> (A/B)														
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Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)																		
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5. _____	_____	_____	_____															
_____ = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>40</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>															
2. <u>Elymus trachycaulus</u>	<u>20</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
3. <u>Dactylis glomerata</u>	<u>15</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACU</u>															
4. <u>Thlaspi arvense</u>	<u>6</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>															
5. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>3</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
6. <u>Equisetum hyemale</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
7. _____	_____	_____	_____															
8. _____	_____	_____	_____															
9. _____	_____	_____	_____															
10. _____	_____	_____	_____															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
_____ = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)																		
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
_____ = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>15</u>																		
Remarks:																		
No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP04u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 13	7.5YR 3/2	100					Loam	
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Cobbles and gravel
Depth (inches): 13

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u> </u>
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u> </u>
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u> </u>

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP04w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Swale Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056788 Long: -110.639452 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM1C

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
0 = Total Cover																		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Salix lasiandra</u>	<u>1</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>70</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>70</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>1</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>2</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>4</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>12</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>1</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>5</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>76</u> (A)</td> <td><u>89</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>70</u>	x 1 = <u>70</u>	FACW species <u>1</u>	x 2 = <u>2</u>	FAC species <u>4</u>	x 3 = <u>12</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>1</u>	x 5 = <u>5</u>	Column Totals: <u>76</u> (A)	<u>89</u> (B)
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2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
5. _____	_____	_____	_____															
1 = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Carex utriculata</u>	<u>45</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>OBL</u>	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.														
2. <u>Scirpus microcarpus</u>	<u>15</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>OBL</u>															
3. <u>Carex nebrascensis</u>	<u>5</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>															
4. <u>Carex aquatilis</u>	<u>5</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>															
5. <u>Leymus cinereus</u>	<u>2</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>															
6. <u>Elymus repens</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>															
7. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>															
8. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>UPL</u>															
9. _____	_____	_____	_____															
10. _____	_____	_____	_____															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
75 = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)																		
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>														
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
0 = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>25</u>																		

Remarks:
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test, prevalence Index below 3, and rapid test.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP04w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 10	7.5YR 3/2	100					Loam	
10 - 18	10YR 4/2	95	10YR 6/8	5	C	M	Loam	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

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

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

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

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

Remarks:

Soil is very moist.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP05u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056623 Long: -110.64012 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Upland sample point adjacent to DP05w and wetland cell 5.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
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Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Salix lasiandra</u> <u>1</u> <u>FACW</u> 2. <u>Salix bebbiana</u> <u>1</u> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Salix boothii</u> <u>1</u> <u>FACW</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 3 = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u> <u>60</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 2. <u>Juncus balticus</u> <u>15</u> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Carex microptera</u> <u>5</u> <u>FACU</u> 4. <u>Poa pratensis</u> <u>3</u> <u>FAC</u> 5. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u> <u>3</u> <u>FACU</u> 6. <u>Equisetum arvense</u> <u>2</u> <u>FAC</u> 7. <u>Cirsium arvense</u> <u>1</u> <u>FAC</u> 8. <u>Carex careyana</u> <u>1</u> <u>UPL</u> 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 90 = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ 0 = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>10</u>																		

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
☒ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
☒ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹
☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants¹
☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain)
¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Although this sample point contains hydrophytic vegetation it does not have wetland hydrology or hydric soils.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP05u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/2	100					Sandy Loam	
6 - 20	10YR 4/2	100					Loamy Sand	
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) (LRR A) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8) | |

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP05w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
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 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.056677 Long: -110.640236 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
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Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Populus balsamifera</u>	<u>35</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
2. <u>Salix bebbiana</u>	<u>15</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
3. <u>Alnus incana</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
4. <u>Salix lasiandra</u>	<u>4</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
5. <u>Salix exigua</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
65 = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)																		
1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>40</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
2. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	<u>20</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
3. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>15</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
4. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>FACU</u>															
5. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
6. <u>Elymus trachycaulus</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
7. <u>Carex pellita</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>OBL</u>															
8. _____	_____	_____	_____															
9. _____	_____	_____	_____															
10. _____	_____	_____	_____															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
96 = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)																		
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
0 = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>4</u>																		
Remarks:																		
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence Index below 3.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP05w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 7	10YR 3/2	100					Sandy Clay Loam	
7 - 16	2.5Y 4/2	95	10YR 5/4	5	C	M	Silt Loam	Sand and gravel 70%, 30% Silt loam
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-								
-								
-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Distinct redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 7
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology visible in soil saturation to 7 inches.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP06u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Linear Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.058722 Long: -110.639424 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Upland sample point adjacent to DP06w and wetland cell 6.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>33.33</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>28</u> x 3 = <u>84</u> FACU species <u>31</u> x 4 = <u>124</u> UPL species <u>21</u> x 5 = <u>105</u> Column Totals: <u>80</u> (A) <u>313</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.91</u>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>30</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACU</u>	
2. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>25</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
3. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>20</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>	
4. <u>Cirsium arvense</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
5. <u>Carex careyana</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>	
6. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
7. <u>Carex microptera</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACU</u>	
8. <u>Phleum pratense</u>	<u>1</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>80</u> = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>20</u> Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP06u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 9	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
9 - 16	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 4/6	15	C	M	Sandy Loam	
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-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Although hydric soils were observed, this sample point lacks hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

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|--|---|-----------------------|
| Surface Water Present? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Depth (inches): _____ |
| Water Table Present? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Depth (inches): _____ |
| Saturation Present?
(includes capillary fringe) | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Depth (inches): _____ |

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP06w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Linear Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.05862 Long: -110.639462 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: PEM1C

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Located in a cattail fringe around open water.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)				Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>3</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>74</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>148</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>1</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>3</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>2</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>8</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>80</u> (A)</td> <td><u>162</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.02</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>3</u>	x 1 = <u>3</u>	FACW species <u>74</u>	x 2 = <u>148</u>	FAC species <u>1</u>	x 3 = <u>3</u>	FACU species <u>2</u>	x 4 = <u>8</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>80</u> (A)	<u>162</u> (B)
Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:																	
OBL species <u>3</u>	x 1 = <u>3</u>																	
FACW species <u>74</u>	x 2 = <u>148</u>																	
FAC species <u>1</u>	x 3 = <u>3</u>																	
FACU species <u>2</u>	x 4 = <u>8</u>																	
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>80</u> (A)	<u>162</u> (B)																	
1. <u>Salix exigua</u>	<u>3</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
2. <u>Salix bebbiana</u>	<u>1</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
3. <u>Salix lutea</u>	<u>1</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>OBL</u>															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
5. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>5</u> = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.														
1. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>70</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>															
2. <u>Carex nebrascensis</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>															
3. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>FACU</u>															
4. <u>Lycopus asper</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>															
5. <u>Equisetum arvense</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>															
6. <u>Carex microptera</u>	<u>1</u>	_____	<u>FACU</u>															
7. _____	_____	_____	_____															
8. _____	_____	_____	_____															
9. _____	_____	_____	_____															
10. _____	_____	_____	_____															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>75</u> = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>25</u>																		

Remarks:
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test, prevalence Index below 3, and rapid test.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP06w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	2.5Y 4/2	100					Silt Loam	Roots
4 - 10	2.5Y 4/2	90	10YR 5/8	10	C	M	Silt Loam	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Cobbles with streaked concentrations

Depth (inches): 10

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Faint redoximorphic concentrations common within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>6</u>
Water Table Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u> </u>
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Depth (inches): <u>6</u>

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology visible in soil saturation to 6 inches and surface water within 5 feet of sample point.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP07u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Linear Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.059411 Long: -110.640153 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Upland sample point adjacent to DP07w and wetland cell 7.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
_____ = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>3</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>9</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>70</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>350</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>73</u> (A)</td> <td><u>359</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.92</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>	FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>	FAC species <u>3</u>	x 3 = <u>9</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>70</u>	x 5 = <u>350</u>	Column Totals: <u>73</u> (A)	<u>359</u> (B)
Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:																	
OBL species <u>0</u>	x 1 = <u>0</u>																	
FACW species <u>0</u>	x 2 = <u>0</u>																	
FAC species <u>3</u>	x 3 = <u>9</u>																	
FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>																	
UPL species <u>70</u>	x 5 = <u>350</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>73</u> (A)	<u>359</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Bromus inermis</u> <u>65</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 2. <u>Medicago sativa</u> <u>5</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 3. <u>Cirsium arvense</u> <u>3</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ _____ <u>73%</u> = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>27</u>																		
Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP07u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 11	10YR 3/2	100					Loam	
11 - 18	10YR 4/2	100					Sandy Loam	
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-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

- | |
|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP07w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.059281 Long: -110.639949 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Located within wetland cell at the western portion of the site.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>4</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>4</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: Multiply by: OBL species <u>5</u> x 1 = <u>5</u> FACW species <u>55</u> x 2 = <u>110</u> FAC species <u>32</u> x 3 = <u>96</u> FACU species <u>10</u> x 4 = <u>40</u> UPL species <u>0</u> x 5 = <u>0</u> Column Totals: <u>102</u> (A) <u>251</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.46</u>
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)				
1. <u>Populus balsamifera</u>	<u>5</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>5</u> = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ <input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
1. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>30</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
2. <u>Phalaris arundinacea</u>	<u>25</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
3. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>25</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	
4. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>10</u>	_____	<u>FACU</u>	
5. <u>Carex pellita</u>	<u>5</u>	_____	<u>OBL</u>	
6. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>2</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>97</u> = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>0</u> = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>0</u>				
Remarks:				
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence Index below 3.				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP07w**Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)**

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 6	10YR 3/2	100					Silty Clay Loam	
6 - 16	10YR 3/2	93	10YR 4/6	7	C	M	Silty Clay Loam	
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								
-								

¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)****Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	wetland hydrology must be present,
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common within redox dark surface

HYDROLOGY

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

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

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

Remarks:

Soil is very moist.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP08u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Shoulder Local relief (concave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%): 30
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.059856 Long: -110.638892 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Located 3 feet above DP08w.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>2</u> x 1 = <u>2</u> FACW species <u>15</u> x 2 = <u>30</u> FAC species <u>33</u> x 3 = <u>99</u> FACU species <u>5</u> x 4 = <u>20</u> UPL species <u>15</u> x 5 = <u>75</u> Column Totals: <u>70</u> (A) <u>226</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>3.23</u>
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)				
1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>25</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
2. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>15</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FACW</u>	
3. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>12</u>		<u>UPL</u>	
4. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FAC</u>	
5. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>5</u>		<u>FACU</u>	
6. <u>Carex careyana</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>UPL</u>	
7. <u>Phleum pratense</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>FAC</u>	
8. <u>Potamogeton gramineus</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>OBL</u>	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
11. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>30</u>				
Remarks: Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test.				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP08u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 11	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
-								
-								
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-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: Cobble
Depth (inches): 11

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP08w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 5
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.05985 Long: -110.63897 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>3</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>3</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
0 = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>2</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>2</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>22</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>44</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>95</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>285</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>0</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>0</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>119</u> (A)</td> <td><u>331</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.78</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>2</u>	x 1 = <u>2</u>	FACW species <u>22</u>	x 2 = <u>44</u>	FAC species <u>95</u>	x 3 = <u>285</u>	FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>	UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>	Column Totals: <u>119</u> (A)	<u>331</u> (B)
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FACU species <u>0</u>	x 4 = <u>0</u>																	
UPL species <u>0</u>	x 5 = <u>0</u>																	
Column Totals: <u>119</u> (A)	<u>331</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Populus balsamifera</u> <u>45</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 2. <u>Salix exigua</u> <u>5</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Salix boothii</u> <u>2</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 4. <u>Salix lutea</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 5. _____ <u>53</u> = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u> <u>50</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 2. <u>Juncus balticus</u> <u>15</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 3. <u>Potamogeton gramineus</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>OBL</u> 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ <u>66</u> = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ <u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>34</u>																		
Remarks: Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence Index below 3																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP08w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	2.5Y 3/2	100					Sandy Loam	
4 - 7	2.5Y 3/2	100					Loamy Sand	Gravel and cobbles
7 - 12	2.5Y 4/2	95	10YR 5/8	5	C	M	Sandy Loam	Sand and cobbles
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-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes ☒ No ☐ Depth (inches): 10
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology visible in soil saturation at 10 inches.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-21
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP09u
 Investigator(s): S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Floodplain Local relief (concave, convex, none): Linear Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.060143 Long: -110.638825 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Upland sample point adjacent to DP09w and wetland cell 9.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
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Column Totals: <u>80</u> (A)	<u>400</u> (B)																	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Bromus inermis</u> <u>80</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ _____ = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ _____ = Total Cover % Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>20</u>																		
Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP09u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
1 - 16	10YR 3/2	100					Silt Loam	
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. ²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) |
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Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9) (MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shallow Aquitard (D3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Raised Ant Mounds (D6) (LRR A) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) |

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-21
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP09w
 Investigator(s): S Weyant Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 0
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.060087 Long: -110.638883 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.		

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Prevalence Index worksheet: <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Total % Cover of:</td> <td>Multiply by:</td> </tr> <tr> <td>OBL species <u>30</u></td> <td>x 1 = <u>30</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACW species <u>2</u></td> <td>x 2 = <u>4</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FAC species <u>41</u></td> <td>x 3 = <u>123</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>FACU species <u>11</u></td> <td>x 4 = <u>44</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>UPL species <u>2</u></td> <td>x 5 = <u>10</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Column Totals: <u>86</u> (A)</td> <td><u>211</u> (B)</td> </tr> </table> Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.45</u>	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	OBL species <u>30</u>	x 1 = <u>30</u>	FACW species <u>2</u>	x 2 = <u>4</u>	FAC species <u>41</u>	x 3 = <u>123</u>	FACU species <u>11</u>	x 4 = <u>44</u>	UPL species <u>2</u>	x 5 = <u>10</u>	Column Totals: <u>86</u> (A)	<u>211</u> (B)
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FAC species <u>41</u>	x 3 = <u>123</u>																	
FACU species <u>11</u>	x 4 = <u>44</u>																	
UPL species <u>2</u>	x 5 = <u>10</u>																	
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2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
3. _____	_____	_____	_____															
4. _____	_____	_____	_____															
5. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 - Dominance Test is >50% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.														
1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u>	<u>35</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>FAC</u>															
2. <u>Carex pellita</u>	<u>30</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>OBL</u>															
3. <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	<u>10</u>		<u>FACU</u>															
4. <u>Poa pratensis</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
5. <u>Carex careyana</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>UPL</u>															
6. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>FACW</u>															
7. <u>Equisetum arvense</u>	<u>2</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
8. <u>Carex microptera</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FACU</u>															
9. <u>Elymus repens</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>FAC</u>															
10. _____	_____	_____	_____															
11. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>86</u> = Total Cover																		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>														
1. _____	_____	_____	_____															
2. _____	_____	_____	_____															
<u>0</u> = Total Cover																		
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>14</u>																		
Remarks:																		
Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence Index below 3.																		

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP09w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 3/2	100					Silty Clay Loam	
4 - 16	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 5/8	15	C	M	Silty Clay Loam	Has slightly more sand than top layer.
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)**

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

<input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)

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

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common.

HYDROLOGY

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

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

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

Remarks:

Wetland hydrology is present with geomorphic position and FAC neutral test.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-20
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP10u
 Investigator(s): J Trilling Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope (%): 1
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.060929 Long: -110.637227 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
Remarks: Sample point located two feet higher than DP10w.					

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0</u> (A/B)	
1. _____	_____	_____	_____		Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>0</u> x 2 = <u>0</u> FAC species <u>10</u> x 3 = <u>30</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>75</u> x 5 = <u>375</u> Column Totals: <u>85</u> (A) <u>405</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>4.76</u>
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ = Total Cover					
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>)					
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators: ___ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% ___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹ ___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) ___ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants ¹ ___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain) ¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
5. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ = Total Cover					
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>)					
1. <u>Bromus inermis</u>	<u>75</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>UPL</u>		
2. <u>Elymus trachycaulus</u>	<u>10</u>	_____	<u>FAC</u>		
3. _____	_____	_____	_____		
4. _____	_____	_____	_____		
5. _____	_____	_____	_____		
6. _____	_____	_____	_____		
7. _____	_____	_____	_____		
8. _____	_____	_____	_____		
9. _____	_____	_____	_____		
10. _____	_____	_____	_____		
11. _____	_____	_____	_____		
<u>85%</u> = Total Cover					
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____)					
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____		
_____ = Total Cover					
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>15</u>					
Remarks: No hydrophytic vegetation present at sample site.					

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP10u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 16	10YR 3/1	100					Loam	
16 - 20	10YR 3/1	85					Sandy Loam	
16 - 20	10YR 4/1	15					Sandy Loam	
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-								
-								
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No ☒

Remarks:

No hydric soil indicators observed.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes _____ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____
(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No ☒

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

Remarks:

No wetland hydrology present.

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

Project/Site: Easton Ranch City/County: Park County Sampling Date: 2023-06-21
 Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP10w
 Investigator(s): J Trilling, S Weyant, K Kane Section, Township, Range: S32 T4N R9E
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Swale Local relief (concave, convex, none): Concave Slope (%): 1
 Subregion (LRR): E 44 Lat: 46.060855 Long: -110.63732 Datum: NAD 83
 Soil Map Unit Name: 155A - Meadowcreek, rarely flooded-Nesda complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes NWI classification: Not mapped

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

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
Remarks: Sample point located within wetland cell.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>1</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100.00</u> (A/B)
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>15 ft r</u>) 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ 5. _____ 0 = Total Cover				Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: Multiply by: OBL species <u>0</u> x 1 = <u>0</u> FACW species <u>5</u> x 2 = <u>10</u> FAC species <u>75</u> x 3 = <u>225</u> FACU species <u>0</u> x 4 = <u>0</u> UPL species <u>2</u> x 5 = <u>10</u> Column Totals: <u>82</u> (A) <u>245</u> (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>2.99</u>
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5 ft r</u>) 1. <u>Lotus corniculatus</u> <u>60</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 2. <u>Elymus trachycaulus</u> <u>15</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FAC</u> 3. <u>Equisetum laevigatum</u> <u>5</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>FACW</u> 4. <u>Brassica napus</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 5. <u>Sisyrinchium xerophyllum</u> <u>1</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>UPL</u> 6. _____ 7. _____ 8. _____ 9. _____ 10. _____ 11. _____ 82 = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: _____) 1. _____ 2. _____ 0 = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>18</u>				
Remarks: Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test.				

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP10w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0 - 4	10YR 2/2	100					Clay Loam	
4 - 16	10YR 4/1	94	10YR 4/6	5	C	PL / M	Loam	
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¹Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains.

²Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (except MLRA 1) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4) | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8) |

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils³:

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|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 cm Muck (A10) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks) |

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____

Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

Remarks:

Prominent redoximorphic concentrations common within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

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

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

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

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Water Table Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

Saturation Present? Yes ☐ No ☒ Depth (inches): _____

(includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☒ No ☐

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

Remarks:

Evidence of wetland hydrology includes geomorphic position and a positive FAC-Neutral test.

MDT Montana Wetland Assessment Form (revised March 2008)

1. **Project Name:** Easton Ranch
 2. **MDT Project #:** STPP STWD (813) **Control #:** 9680000
 3. **Evaluation Date:** 06/20/2023 **4. Evaluator(s):** J Trilling, S Weyant, M. Hickey **5. Wetlands/Site #(s):** Creation
 6. **Wetland Location(s): i. Legal:** T4N,R9E,32 **Latitude/Longitude:** 46.0584, -110.638189 :
 ii. **Approx. Stationing or Mileposts:** NA
 iii. **Watershed:** 13

Watershed Name, County: Upper Yellowstone, Park

7. **a. Evaluating Agency:** Confluence Consulting

b. Purpose of Evaluation:

1. ☐ Wetlands potentially affected by MDT project
2. ☐ Mitigation wetlands; pre-construction
3. ☒ Mitigation wetlands; post-construction
4. ☐ Other:

8. Wetland size: 12.850 acres (measured)

9. Assessment area (AA): 12.850 acres (measured)

10. Classification of Wetland and Aquatic Habitats in AA

HGM Class (Brinson)	Class (Cowardin)	Modifier (Cowardin)	Water Regime	% of AA
D	AB	E	SI	1.00
R	EM	E	SI	69.00
R	SS	E	SI	30.00

Abbreviations: (see manual for definitions)

HGM Classes: Riverine (R), Depressional (D), Slope (S), Mineral Soil Flats (MSF), Organic Soil Flats (OSF), Lacustrine Fringe (LF);

Cowardin Classes: Rock Bottom (RB), Unconsolidated bottom (UB), Aquatic Bed (AB), Unconsolidated Shore (US), Moss-lichen Wetland (ML), Emergent Wetland (EM), Scrub-Shrub Wetland (SS), Forested Wetland (FO)

Modifiers: Excavated (E), Impounded (I), Diked (D), Partly Drained (PD), Farmed (F), Artificial (A)

Water Regimes: Permanent / Perennial (PP), Seasonal / Intermittent (SI), Temporary / Ephemeral (TE)

11. Estimated relative abundance: (of similarly classified sites within the same Major Montana Watershed Basin, see definitions)
 COMMON

12. General condition of AA:

i. Disturbance: (use matrix below to determine [circle] appropriate response – see instructions for Montana-listed noxious weed and aquatic nuisance vegetation species (ANVS) list)

Conditions within AA	Predominant conditions adjacent to (within 500 feet of) AA		
	Managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is >=15%.	Land not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to minor clearing; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 30%.	Land cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.
AA occurs and is managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or occupied buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 15%.	low disturbance	low disturbance	moderate disturbance
AA not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to relatively minor clearing, fill placement, or hydrological alteration; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <=	moderate disturbance	moderate disturbance	high disturbance
AA cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to relatively substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.	high disturbance	high disturbance	high disturbance

Comments: (types of disturbance, intensity, season, etc.): Limited agriculture (hay) and a few ranch structures to the east. Undeveloped riparian corridor and herbaceous uplands to north, south, and west. A new house was built west of the Shield River on an upland terrace. Three species of noxious weeds were present within the AA. The AA is managed in a natural state, as are most of the lands within 500 feet of the AA

ii. Prominent noxious, aquatic nuisance, & other exotic vegetation species: Cirsium arvense, Cynoglossum officinale, and Potentilla recta

iii. Provide brief descriptive summary of AA and surrounding land use/habitat: The AA consists of five constructed wetland cells. The lowest contours of the wetland cells are seasonally inundated and have developed wetland characteristics. The majority of higher elevations within the site lack wetland characteristics and support upland plant communities. The cells are bordered by limited agriculture (hay and food plots) and an undeveloped riparian corridor.

13. Structural Diversity: (based on number of "Cowardin" **vegetated** classes present [do not include unvegetated classes], see #10 above)

Existing # of "Cowardin" Vegetated Classes in AA	Initial Rating	Is current management preventing (passive) existence of additional vegetated classes?		Modified Rating
>= 3 (or 2 if 1 is forested) classes	H	NA	NA	NA
2 (or 1 if forested) classes	M	NA	NA	NA
1 class, but not a monoculture	M	<-- NO	YES -->	L
1 class, monoculture (1 species comprises >= 90% of total cover)	L	NA	NA	NA

Comments: The AA consists of palustrine emergent wetlands (PEM), scrub-shrub (young PSS), and an aquatic bed at the east central portion of the AA.

SECTION PERTAINING to FUNCTIONS & VALUES ASSESSMENT

14A. Habitat for Federally Listed or Proposed Threatened or Endangered Plants or Animals:

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)	Secondary habitat (list species)	Incidental habitat (list species)
		Canada Lynx (LT), North American North American Wolverine(S)

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
Functional Points and Rating	1H	.9H	.8M	.7M	.3L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): USFWS IPAC 2023

14B. Habitat for plant or animals rated S1, S2, or S3 by the Montana Natural Heritage Program: (not including species listed in 14A above)

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)	Secondary habitat (list species)	Incidental habitat (list species)
Bobolink (D) - S2S3		Golden Eagle(D) - S2S3

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
S1 Species: Functional Points and Rating	1H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.2L	.1L	0L
S2 and S3 Species: Functional Points and Rating	.9H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.2L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): MTNHP, 2013 and 2019-2023 field observations. Bobolink nesting on site documented by MDT staff. Bald Eagle observed in 2023.

14C. General Wildlife Habitat Rating:

i. **Evidence of overall wildlife use in the AA** (circle substantial, moderate, or low based on supporting evidence):

Substantial (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ observations of abundant wildlife #s or high species diversity (during any period)
- ☐ abundant wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☐ presence of extremely limiting habitat features not available in the surrounding area
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Minimal (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ few or no wildlife observations during peak use periods
- ☐ little to no wildlife sign
- ☐ sparse adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Moderate (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☒ observations of scattered wildlife groups or individuals or relatively few species during peak periods
- ☒ common occurrence of wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☒ adequate adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

ii. **Wildlife habitat features** (Working from top to bottom, circle appropriate AA attributes in matrix to arrive at rating. Structural diversity is from #13. For class cover to be considered evenly distributed, the most and least prevalent vegetated classes must be within 20% of each other in terms of their percent composition of the AA (see #10). Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; T/E = temporary/ephemeral; and A = absent [see instructions for further definitions of these terms])

Structural diversity (see #13)	High								Moderate								Low			
Class cover distribution (all vegetated classes)	Even				Uneven				Even				Uneven				Even			
Duration of surface water in >=10% of AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A
Low disturbance at AA (see #12i)	E	E	E	H	E	E	H	H	E	H	H	M	E	H	M	M	E	H	M	M
Moderate disturbance at AA (see #12i)	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	M	H	H	M	M	H	M	M	L	H	M	L	L
High disturbance at AA (see #12i)	M	M	M	L	M	M	L	L	M	M	L	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L	L

iii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i and ii above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Evidence of wildlife use (i)	Wildlife habitat features rating (ii)			
	Exceptional		High	Moderate
Substantial	1E		.9H	.8H
Moderate	.9H		.7M	.5M
Minimal	.6M		.4M	.2L

Comments: There is a bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) nest directly southwest of the site on the west side of the Shields River. The project site is within the primary habitat zone for bald eagles. In 2023 observed white-tailed deer and many bird species.

14D. General Fish Habitat Rating: (Assess this function if the AA is used by fish or the existing situation is “correctable” such that the AA could be used by fish [i.e., fish use is precluded by perched culvert or other barrier, etc.]. If the AA is not used by fish, fish use is not restorable due to habitat constraints, or is not desired from a management perspective [such as fish entrapped in a canal], then mark **X NA** and proceed to 14E.)

Type of Fishery: Cold Water (CW) Warm Water (WW) **Use the CW or WW guidelines in the user manual to complete the matrix**

i. Habitat Quality and Known / Suspected Fish Species in AA (use matrix to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Duration of surface water in AA	Permanent / Perennial						Seasonal / Intermittent						Temporary / Ephemeral					
Aquatic hiding / resting / escape cover	Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor	
Thermal cover optimal / suboptimal	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S
FWP Tier I fish species	1E	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
FWP Tier II or Native Game fish species	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L
FWP Tier III or Introduced Game fish	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L	.1L
FWP Non-Game Tier IV or No fish species	.5M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.4M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.1L	.1L	.1L

Sources used for identifying fish sp. potentially found in AA:

ii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1)

a) Is fish use of the AA significantly reduced by a culvert, dike, or other man-made structure or activity or is the waterbody included on the current final MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development with listed “Probable Impaired Uses” including cold or warm water fishery or aquatic life support, or do aquatic nuisance plant or animal species (see Appendix E) occur in fish habitat? If yes, reduce score in i above by 0.1.

b) Does the AA contain a documented spawning area or other critical habitat feature (i.e., sanctuary pool, upwelling area, etc.- specify in comments) for native fish or introduced game fish? If yes, add 0.1 to the adjusted score in i or iia.

iii. Final Score and Rating: NA

Comments: Wetland cells are isolated from Shields River with no fish habitat present.

14E. Flood Attenuation: (Applies only to wetlands subject to flooding via in-channel or overbank flow. If wetlands in AA are not flooded from in-channel or overbank flow, mark **NA** and proceed to 14F.)

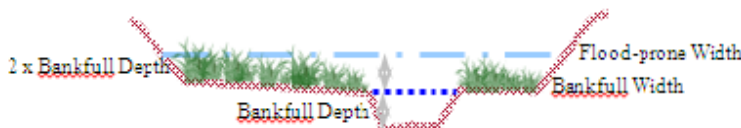
i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Estimated or Calculated Entrenchment (Rosgen 1994, 1996)	Slightly entrenched - C, D, E stream types			Moderately entrenched – B stream type			Entrenched-A, F, G stream types		
% of flooded wetland classified as forested and/or scrub/shrub	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%
AA contains no outlet or restricted outlet	1H	.9H	.6M	.8H	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.8H	.5M	.7M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Entrenchment ratio (ER) estimation – see User’s Manual for additional guidance. Entrenchment ratio = (flood-prone width)/(bankfull width) Flood-prone width = estimated horizontal projection of where 2 x maximum bankfull depth elevation intersects the floodplain on each side of the stream.

$$\frac{133}{28} = 4.75$$

Flood-prone width Bankfull width Entrenchment ratio (ER)



Slightly Entrenched ER = >2.2			Moderately Entrenched ER = 1.41 – 2.2	Entrenched ER = 1.0 – 1.4		
C stream type	D stream type	E stream type	B stream type	A stream type	F stream type	G stream type

ii. Are ≥10 acres of wetland in the AA subject to flooding AND are man-made features which may be significantly damaged by floods located within 0.5 mile downstream of the AA (circle)? **X**

Comments: AA receives overbank flow from Shields River during high flow events and houses located within 5 miles downstream.

14F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage: (Applies to wetlands that flood or pond from overbank or in-channel flow, precipitation, upland surface flow, or groundwater flow. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to flooding or ponding, NA and proceed to 14G.)

i. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; and T/E = temporary/ephemeral [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

Estimated maximum acre feet of water contained in wetlands within the AA that are subject to periodic flooding or ponding	>5 acre feet			1.1 to 5 acre feet			<=1 acre foot		
Duration of surface water at wetlands within the AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E
Wetlands in AA flood or pond >= 5 out of 10 years	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
Wetlands in AA flood or pond < 5 out of 10 years	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: (12.85 acre wetland) * (1 ft. max depth at high water) = 12.85 acre feet

14G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Retention and Removal: (Applies to wetlands with potential to receive sediments, nutrients, or toxicants through influx of surface or ground water or direct input. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to such input, NA and proceed to 14H.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating [H=high, M=moderate, or L=low])

Sediment, nutrient, and toxicant input levels within AA	AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds at levels such that other functions are not substantially impaired. Minor sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.				Waterbody on MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development for "probable causes" related to sediment, nutrients, or toxicants or AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver high levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds such that other functions are substantially impaired. Major sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.				
% cover of wetland vegetation in AA	>= 70%		< 70%		>= 70%		< 70%		
Evidence of flooding / ponding in AA	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
AA contains no or restricted outlet	1H	.8H	.7M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.7M	.6M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L	

Comments: There was evidence of ponding and flooding in 2023. Some of the low-lying areas were saturated during the 2023 monitoring event.

14H Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization: (Applies only if AA occurs on or within the banks or a river, stream, or other natural or man-made drainage, or on the shoreline of a standing water body which is subject to wave action. If 14H does not apply, NA and proceed to 14I.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

% Cover of wetland streambank or shoreline by species with stability ratings of >=6 (see Appendix F).	Duration of surface water adjacent to rooted vegetation		
	Permanent / Perennial	Seasonal / Intermittent	Temporary / Ephemeral
>= 65%	1H	.9H	.7M
35-64%	.7M	.6M	.5M
35%	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: One small open water area in the east central portion of the project area was observed in 2022. Deep-rooted species observed in 2022 include willows, bulrush, spikerush, sedges, and rushes.

14I. Production Export/Food Chain Support:

i. Level of Biological Activity (synthesis of wildlife and fish habitat ratings [circle])

General Fish Habitat Rating (14D.iii.)	General Wildlife Habitat Rating (14C.iii.)		
	E/H	M	L
E/H	H	H	M
M	H	M	M
L	M	M	L
N/A	H	M	L

ii. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Factor A = acreage of vegetated wetland component in the AA; Factor B = level of biological activity rating from above (14I.i.); Factor C = whether or not the AA contains a surface or subsurface outlet; the final three rows pertain to duration of surface water in the AA, where P/P, S/I, and T/E are as previously defined, and A = "absent" [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

A	Vegetated component >5 acres						Vegetated component 1-5 acres						Vegetated component < 1 acre					
B	High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low	
C	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
P/P	1H	.7M	.8H	.5M	.6M	.4M	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L
S/I	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.5M	.5M	.3L	.3L	.2L
T/E/A	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.4M	.5M	.2L	.3L	.1L	.6M	.4M	.4M	.2L	.2L	.1L

iii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1.) **Vegetated Upland Buffer (VUB):** Area with >= 30% plant cover, = 15% noxious weed or ANVS cover, and that is not subjected to periodic mechanical mowing or clearing (unless for weed control).

a) Is there an average >= 50 foot-wide vegetated upland buffer around >= 75% of the AA circumference?

X If yes, add 0.1 to the score in ii above.

iv. Final Score and Rating: 1.00H

Comments: Vegetated area greater than 5 acres with a moderate level of biological activity and seasonal hydrology.

14J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge: (check the appropriate indicators in i & ii below)

i. Discharge Indicators

- ☐ The AA is a slope wetland
- ☐ Springs or seeps are known or observed
- ☐ Vegetation growing during dormant season/drought
- ☐ Wetland occurs at the toe of a natural slope
- ☐ AA permanently flooded during drought periods
- ☐ Wetland contains an outlet, but no inlet
- ☒ Shallow water table and the site is saturated to the surface
- ☐ Other:

ii. Recharge Indicators

- ☒ Permeable substrate present without underlying impeding layer
- ☐ Wetland contains inlet but no outlet
- ☐ Stream is a known 'losing' stream; discharge volume decreases
- ☐ Other:

iii. Rating (use the information from i and ii above and the table below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Criteria	Duration of saturation at AA Wetlands FROM GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE OR WITH WATER THAT IS RECHARGING THE GROUNDWATER SYSTEM			
	P/P	S/I	T	None
Groundwater Discharge or Recharge	1H	.7M	.4M	.1L
Insufficient Data/Information	N/A			

Comments: Soils saturated or moist across most of the constructed wetlands in 2023.

14K. Uniqueness:

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Replacement potential	AA contains fen, bog, warm springs or mature (>80 yr-old) forested wetland or plant association listed as "S1" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types and structural diversity (#13) is high or contains plant association listed as "S2" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types or associations and structural diversity (#13) is low-moderate		
Estimated relative abundance (#11)	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant
Low disturbance at AA (#12i)	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L
Moderate disturbance at AA (#12i)	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L
High disturbance at AA (#12i)	.8H	.7M	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: Trees and shrubs are establishing well across the AA. However, saplings are experiencing significant herbivory which is stunting growth. Site disturbance is low.

14L. Recreation/Education Potential: (affords "bonus" points if AA provides recreation or education opportunity)

i. Is the AA a known or potential rec./ed. site: (circle) ____ (if 'Yes' continue with the evaluation; if 'No' then mark **X** **NA** and proceed to the overall summary and rating page)

ii. Check categories that apply to the AA: ____ Educational/scientific study; ____ Consumptive rec.; ____ Non-consumptive rec.;
____ Other :

iii. Rating:

Known or Potential Recreation or Education Area	Known	Potential
Public ownership or public easement with general public access (no permission required)	.2H	.15H
Private ownership with general public access (no permission required)	.15H	.1M
Private or public ownership without general public access, or requiring permission for public access	.1M	.05L

Comments: Landowner does not allow public access or educational use of the site.

General Site Notes
The site is developing into a productive wetland system. However, Scrub-shrub communities have been stunted by heavy herbivory.

FUNCTION & VALUE SUMMARY & OVERALL RATING FOR WETLAND/SITE #(S): Creation

Function & Value Variables	Rating	Actual Functional Points	Possible Functional Points	Functional Units: (Actual Points x Wetland Acreage)	Indicate the four most prominent functions with an asterisk (*)
A. Listed/Proposed T&E Species Habitat	L	0.10	1	1.29	
B. MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat	H	0.90	1	11.57	*
C. General Wildlife Habitat	H	0.90	1	11.57	*
D. General Fish Habitat	NA				
E. Flood Attenuation	H	0.80	1	10.28	
F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage	H	0.80	1	10.28	*
G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	H	0.90	1	11.57	*
H. Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	H	0.90	1	11.57	
I. Production Export/Food Chain Support	H	1.00	1	12.85	
J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	M	0.70	1	9.00	
K. Uniqueness	M	0.60	1	7.71	
L. Recreation/Education Potential (bonus points)	NA				
Totals:		7.60	10.00	97.69	
Percent of Possible Score			76%		

Category I Wetland: (must satisfy one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category II)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for Listed/Proposed Threatened or Endangered Species; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Flood Attenuation and answer to Question 14E.ii is "yes"; **or**
☐ Percent of possible score > 80% (round to nearest whole #).

Category II Wetland: (Criteria for Category I not satisfied and meets any one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category IV)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat; **or**
☒ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Wildlife Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Fish Habitat; **or**
☐ "High" to "Exceptional" ratings for **both** General Wildlife Habitat **and** General Fish/Aquatic Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☒ Percent of possible score > 65% (round to nearest whole #).

Category III Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I, II, or IV not satisfied)

Category IV Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I or II are not satisfied and all of the following criteria are met; otherwise go to Category III)

- ☐ "Low" rating for Uniqueness; **and**
☐ Vegetated wetland component 1 acre (do not include upland vegetated buffer); **and**
☐ Percent of possible score 35% (round to nearest whole #).

OVERALL ANALYSIS AREA RATING: II

Summary Comments: AA contains a diversity of habitats and wildlife.

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2. MDT Project #: STPP STWD (813) **Control #:** 9680000
3. Evaluation Date: 06/20/2023 **4. Evaluator(s):** J Trilling, S Weyant, M. Hickey **5. Wetlands/Site #(s):** Preservation
6. Wetland Location(s): i. Legal: T4N,R9E,32 **Latitude/Longitude:** 46.059037, -110.63809 :
ii. Approx. Stationing or Mileposts: NA
iii. Watershed: 13

Watershed Name, County: Upper Yellowstone, Park

7. a. Evaluating Agency: Confluence Consulting

b. Purpose of Evaluation:

1. ☐ Wetlands potentially affected by MDT project
2. ☐ Mitigation wetlands; pre-construction
3. ☒ Mitigation wetlands; post-construction
4. ☐ Other:

8. Wetland size: 1.100 acres (measured)

9. Assessment area (AA): 1.100 acres (measured)

10. Classification of Wetland and Aquatic Habitats in AA

HGM Class (Brinson)	Class (Cowardin)	Modifier (Cowardin)	Water Regime	% of AA
R	EM	NA	SI	70.00
R	SS	NA	SI	30.00

Abbreviations: (see manual for definitions)

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Modifiers: Excavated (E), Impounded (I), Diked (D), Partly Drained (PD), Farmed (F), Artificial (A)

Water Regimes: Permanent / Perennial (PP), Seasonal / Intermittent (SI), Temporary / Ephemeral (TE)

11. Estimated relative abundance: (of similarly classified sites within the same Major Montana Watershed Basin, see definitions)
COMMON

12. General condition of AA:

i. Disturbance: (use matrix below to determine [circle] appropriate response – see instructions for Montana-listed noxious weed and aquatic nuisance vegetation species (ANVS) list)

Conditions within AA	Predominant conditions adjacent to (within 500 feet of) AA		
	Managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is >=15%.	Land not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to minor clearing; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 30%.	Land cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.
AA occurs and is managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or occupied buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 15%.	low disturbance	low disturbance	moderate disturbance
AA not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to relatively minor clearing, fill placement, or hydrological alteration; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <=	moderate disturbance	moderate disturbance	high disturbance
AA cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to relatively substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.	high disturbance	high disturbance	high disturbance

Comments: (types of disturbance, intensity, season, etc.): AA consists of existing riverine PFO/PSS/PEM wetlands located adjacent to the created depressional wetlands and flood channel. AA and adjacent areas are managed in a natural state, disturbance is low.

ii. Prominent noxious, aquatic nuisance, & other exotic vegetation species: Cirsium arvense, Cynoglossum officinale

iii. Provide brief descriptive summary of AA and surrounding land use/habitat: AA contains small areas of existing PFO/PSS/PEM wetlands located at the northwest (Shields River) and southcentral ends of the mitigation area. The existing PFO/PEM habitat located at the southern end of the AA receives direct hydrologic inputs from the created flood channel. Both wetland features are bordered by created wetlands and the Shields River riparian corridor.

13. Structural Diversity: (based on number of "Cowardin" **vegetated** classes present [do not include unvegetated classes], see #10 above)

Existing # of "Cowardin" Vegetated Classes in AA	Initial Rating	Is current management preventing (passive) existence of additional vegetated classes?		Modified Rating
>= 3 (or 2 if 1 is forested) classes	H	NA	NA	NA
2 (or 1 if forested) classes	M	NA	NA	NA
1 class, but not a monoculture	M	<-- NO	YES -->	L
1 class, monoculture (1 species comprises >= 90% of total cover)	L	NA	NA	NA

Comments: PEM, PFO and PSS vegetated communities are present on site.

SECTION PERTAINING to FUNCTIONS & VALUES ASSESSMENT

14A. Habitat for Federally Listed or Proposed Threatened or Endangered Plants or Animals:

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)

Secondary habitat (list species)

Incidental habitat (list species)

Canada Lynx (LT), North American

North American Wolverine(S)

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
Functional Points and Rating	1H	.9H	.8M	.7M	.3L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): USFWS IPAC 2023

14B. Habitat for plant or animals rated S1, S2, or S3 by the Montana Natural Heritage Program: (not including species listed in 14A above)

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)

Secondary habitat (list species)

Incidental habitat (list species)

Bobolink (D) - S2S3

Golden Eagle(D) - S2S3

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
S1 Species: Functional Points and Rating	1H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.2L	.1L	0L
S2 and S3 Species: Functional Points and Rating	.9H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.2L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): MTNHP, 2013 and 2019-2022 field observations. Bobolink nesting on site documented by MDT staff. A Bald Eagle was observed onsite in 2023.

14C. General Wildlife Habitat Rating:

i. **Evidence of overall wildlife use in the AA** (circle substantial, moderate, or low based on supporting evidence):

Substantial (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ observations of abundant wildlife #s or high species diversity (during any period)
- ☐ abundant wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☐ presence of extremely limiting habitat features not available in the surrounding area
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Minimal (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ few or no wildlife observations during peak use periods
- ☐ little to no wildlife sign
- ☐ sparse adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Moderate (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☒ observations of scattered wildlife groups or individuals or relatively few species during peak periods
- ☒ common occurrence of wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☒ adequate adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

ii. **Wildlife habitat features** (Working from top to bottom, circle appropriate AA attributes in matrix to arrive at rating. Structural diversity is from #13. For class cover to be considered evenly distributed, the most and least prevalent vegetated classes must be within 20% of each other in terms of their percent composition of the AA (see #10). Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; T/E = temporary/ephemeral; and A = absent [see instructions for further definitions of these terms])

Structural diversity (see #13)	High								Moderate								Low			
Class cover distribution (all vegetated classes)	Even				Uneven				Even				Uneven				Even			
Duration of surface water in >=10% of AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A
Low disturbance at AA (see #12i)	E	E	E	H	E	E	H	H	E	H	H	M	E	H	M	M	E	H	M	M
Moderate disturbance at AA (see #12i)	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	M	H	H	M	M	H	M	M	L	H	M	L	L
High disturbance at AA (see #12i)	M	M	M	L	M	M	L	L	M	M	L	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L	L

iii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i and ii above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Evidence of wildlife use (i)	Wildlife habitat features rating (ii)			
	Exceptional		High	Moderate
Substantial	1E		.9H	.8H
Moderate	.9H		.7M	.5M
Minimal	.6M		.4M	.2L

Comments: Moderate use of site by moose, deer, and many bird species. There is a bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) nest directly southwest of the site on the west side of the Shields River.

14D. General Fish Habitat Rating: (Assess this function if the AA is used by fish or the existing situation is "correctable" such that the AA could be used by fish [i.e., fish use is precluded by perched culvert or other barrier, etc.]. If the AA is not used by fish, fish use is not restorable due to habitat constraints, or is not desired from a management perspective [such as fish entrapped in a canal], then mark **X NA** and proceed to 14E.)

Type of Fishery: Cold Water (CW) Warm Water (WW) Use the CW or WW guidelines in the user manual to complete the matrix

i. Habitat Quality and Known / Suspected Fish Species in AA (use matrix to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Duration of surface water in AA	Permanent / Perennial						Seasonal / Intermittent						Temporary / Ephemeral					
Aquatic hiding / resting / escape cover	Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor	
Thermal cover optimal / suboptimal	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S
FWP Tier I fish species	1E	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
FWP Tier II or Native Game fish species	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L
FWP Tier III or Introduced Game fish	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L	.1L
FWP Non-Game Tier IV or No fish species	.5M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.4M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.1L	.1L	.1L

Sources used for identifying fish sp. potentially found in AA:

ii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1)

a) Is fish use of the AA significantly reduced by a culvert, dike, or other man-made structure or activity or is the waterbody included on the current final MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development with listed "Probable Impaired Uses" including cold or warm water fishery or aquatic life support, or do aquatic nuisance plant or animal species (see Appendix E) occur in fish habitat? If yes, reduce score in i above by 0.1.

b) Does the AA contain a documented spawning area or other critical habitat feature (i.e., sanctuary pool, upwelling area, etc.- specify in comments) for native fish or introduced game fish? If yes, add 0.1 to the adjusted score in i or iia.

iii. Final Score and Rating: NA **Comments:** No fish habitat within AA

14E. Flood Attenuation: (Applies only to wetlands subject to flooding via in-channel or overbank flow. If wetlands in AA are not flooded from in-channel or overbank flow, mark **NA** and proceed to 14F.)

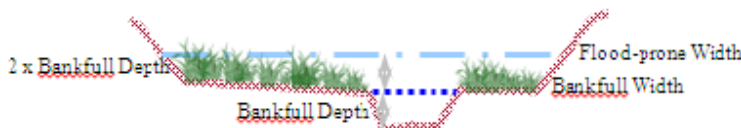
i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Estimated or Calculated Entrenchment (Rosgen 1994, 1996)	Slightly entrenched - C, D, E stream types			Moderately entrenched – B stream type			Entrenched-A, F, G stream types		
% of flooded wetland classified as forested and/or scrub/shrub	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%
AA contains no outlet or restricted outlet	1H	.9H	.6M	.8H	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.8H	.5M	.7M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Entrenchment ratio (ER) estimation – see User's Manual for additional guidance. Entrenchment ratio = (flood-prone width)/(bankfull width) Flood-prone width = estimated horizontal projection of where 2 x maximum bankfull depth elevation intersects the floodplain on each side of the stream.

$$\frac{133}{28} = 4.75$$

Flood-prone width Bankfull width Entrenchment ratio (ER)



Slightly Entrenched ER = >2.2			Moderately Entrenched ER = 1.41 – 2.2	Entrenched ER = 1.0 – 1.4		
C stream type	D stream type	E stream type	B stream type	A stream type	F stream type	G stream type

ii. Are ≥10 acres of wetland in the AA subject to flooding AND are man-made features which may be significantly damaged by floods located within 0.5 mile downstream of the AA (circle)? **X** **Comments:** Approximately 30% of the preservation AA contains PFO and/or PSS wetland with surface water outlet to the south into the relict channel that empties into the nearby Shields River. The Shields River is slightly entrenched at this location. Houses located within 0.5 miles

14F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage: (Applies to wetlands that flood or pond from overbank or in-channel flow, precipitation, upland surface flow, or groundwater flow. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to flooding or ponding, NA and proceed to 14G.)

i. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; and T/E = temporary/ephemeral [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

Estimated maximum acre feet of water contained in wetlands within the AA that are subject to periodic flooding or ponding	>5 acre feet			1.1 to 5 acre feet			<=1 acre foot		
Duration of surface water at wetlands within the AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E
Wetlands in AA flood or pond >= 5 out of 10 years	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
Wetlands in AA flood or pond < 5 out of 10 years	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: (1.10 acre of preserved wetland) x (approximate average of 1.0 ft. of inundation during high water) = 1.10 acre feet

14G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Retention and Removal: (Applies to wetlands with potential to receive sediments, nutrients, or toxicants through influx of surface or ground water or direct input. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to such input, NA and proceed to 14H.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating [H=high, M=moderate, or L=low])

Sediment, nutrient, and toxicant input levels within AA	AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds at levels such that other functions are not substantially impaired. Minor sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.				Waterbody on MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development for "probable causes" related to sediment, nutrients, or toxicants or AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver high levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds such that other functions are substantially impaired. Major sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.				
% cover of wetland vegetation in AA	>= 70%		< 70%		>= 70%		< 70%		
Evidence of flooding / ponding in AA	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
AA contains no or restricted outlet	1H	.8H	.7M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.7M	.6M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L	

Comments: Hydrophytic vegetation cover exceeds 70%. AA contains restricted outlet.

14H Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization: (Applies only if AA occurs on or within the banks or a river, stream, or other natural or man-made drainage, or on the shoreline of a standing water body which is subject to wave action. If 14H does not apply, X NA and proceed to 14I.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

% Cover of <u>wetland</u> streambank or shoreline by species with stability ratings of >=6 (see Appendix F).	Duration of surface water adjacent to rooted vegetation		
	Permanent / Perennial	Seasonal / Intermittent	Temporary / Ephemeral
>= 65%	1H	.9H	.7M
35-64%	.7M	.6M	.5M
35%	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: No shoreline in the project area.

14I. Production Export/Food Chain Support:

i. Level of Biological Activity (synthesis of wildlife and fish habitat ratings [circle])

General Fish Habitat Rating (14D.iii.)	General Wildlife Habitat Rating (14C.iii.)		
	E/H	M	L
E/H	H	H	M
M	H	M	M
L	M	M	L
N/A	H	M	L

ii. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Factor A = acreage of vegetated wetland component in the AA; Factor B = level of biological activity rating from above (14I.i.); Factor C = whether or not the AA contains a surface or subsurface outlet; the final three rows pertain to duration of surface water in the AA, where P/P, S/I, and T/E are as previously defined, and A = "absent" [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

A	Vegetated component >5 acres						Vegetated component 1-5 acres						Vegetated component < 1 acre					
B	High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low	
C	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
P/P	1H	.7M	.8H	.5M	.6M	.4M	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L
S/I	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.5M	.5M	.3L	.3L	.2L
T/E/A	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.4M	.5M	.2L	.3L	.1L	.6M	.4M	.4M	.2L	.2L	.1L

iii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1.) Vegetated Upland Buffer (VUB): Area with >= 30% plant cover, = 15% noxious weed or ANVS cover, and that is not subjected to periodic mechanical mowing or clearing (unless for weed control).

a) Is there an average >= 50 foot-wide vegetated upland buffer around >= 75% of the AA circumference?

X If yes, add 0.1 to the score in ii above.

iv. Final Score and Rating: 0.70M

Comments: A restricted surface water outlet is present to the south.

14J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge: (check the appropriate indicators in i & ii below)

i. Discharge Indicators

- ☐ The AA is a slope wetland
- ☐ Springs or seeps are known or observed
- ☐ Vegetation growing during dormant season/drought
- ☐ Wetland occurs at the toe of a natural slope
- ☐ AA permanently flooded during drought periods
- ☐ Wetland contains an outlet, but no inlet
- ☒ Shallow water table and the site is saturated to the surface
- ☐ Other:

ii. Recharge Indicators

- ☒ Permeable substrate present without underlying impeding layer
- ☐ Wetland contains inlet but no outlet
- ☐ Stream is a known 'losing' stream; discharge volume decreases
- ☐ Other:

iii. Rating (use the information from i and ii above and the table below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Criteria	Duration of saturation at AA Wetlands FROM GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE OR WITH WATER THAT IS RECHARGING THE GROUNDWATER SYSTEM			
	P/P	S/I	T	None
Groundwater Discharge or Recharge	1H	.7M	.4M	.1L
Insufficient Data/Information	N/A			

Comments: Shallow groundwater table documented in the lower elevations of depressional wetlands and the excavated channel.

14K. Uniqueness:

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Replacement potential	AA contains fen, bog, warm springs or mature (>80 yr-old) forested wetland or plant association listed as "S1" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types and structural diversity (#13) is high or contains plant association listed as "S2" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types or associations and structural diversity (#13) is low-moderate		
Estimated relative abundance (#11)	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant
Low disturbance at AA (#12i)	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L
Moderate disturbance at AA (#12i)	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L
High disturbance at AA (#12i)	.8H	.7M	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: Site disturbance is low and structural diversity is high.

14L. Recreation/Education Potential: (affords "bonus" points if AA provides recreation or education opportunity)

i. Is the AA a known or potential rec./ed. site: (circle) ____ (if 'Yes' continue with the evaluation; if 'No' then mark **X** **NA** and proceed to the overall summary and rating page)

ii. Check categories that apply to the AA: ____ Educational/scientific study; ____ Consumptive rec.; ____ Non-consumptive rec.;
____ Other :

iii. Rating:

Known or Potential Recreation or Education Area	Known	Potential
Public ownership or public easement with general public access (no permission required)	.2H	.15H
Private ownership with general public access (no permission required)	.15H	.1M
Private or public ownership without general public access, or requiring permission for public access	.1M	.05L

Comments: Landowner does not allow public access or educational use of the site.

General Site Notes
AA contains a diversity of habitats and wildlife.

FUNCTION & VALUE SUMMARY & OVERALL RATING FOR WETLAND/SITE #(S): Preservation

Function & Value Variables	Rating	Actual Functional Points	Possible Functional Points	Functional Units: (Actual Points x Wetland Acreage)	Indicate the four most prominent functions with an asterisk (*)
A. Listed/Proposed T&E Species Habitat	L	0.10	1	0.11	
B. MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat	H	0.90	1	0.99	*
C. General Wildlife Habitat	M	0.70	1	0.77	*
D. General Fish Habitat	NA				
E. Flood Attenuation	H	0.90	1	0.99	*
F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage	M	0.60	1	0.66	
G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	H	1.00	1	1.10	*
H. Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	NA				
I. Production Export/Food Chain Support	M	0.70	1	0.77	
J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	M	0.70	1	0.77	
K. Uniqueness	M	0.60	1	0.66	
L. Recreation/Education Potential (bonus points)	NA				
Totals:		6.20	9.00	6.82	
Percent of Possible Score			69%		

Category I Wetland: (must satisfy one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category II)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for Listed/Proposed Threatened or Endangered Species; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Flood Attenuation and answer to Question 14E.ii is "yes"; **or**
☐ Percent of possible score > 80% (round to nearest whole #).

Category II Wetland: (Criteria for Category I not satisfied and meets any one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category IV)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Wildlife Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Fish Habitat; **or**
☐ "High" to "Exceptional" ratings for **both** General Wildlife Habitat **and** General Fish/Aquatic Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☒ Percent of possible score > 65% (round to nearest whole #).

Category III Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I, II, or IV not satisfied)

Category IV Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I or II are not satisfied and all of the following criteria are met; otherwise go to Category III)

- ☐ "Low" rating for Uniqueness; **and**
☐ Vegetated wetland component 1 acre (do not include upland vegetated buffer); **and**
☐ Percent of possible score 35% (round to nearest whole #).

OVERALL ANALYSIS AREA RATING: II

Summary Comments: This AA contains high structural diversity and supports a dynamic wetland community.

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HGM Classes: Riverine (R), Depressional (D), Slope (S), Mineral Soil Flats (MSF), Organic Soil Flats (OSF), Lacustrine Fringe (LF);

Cowardin Classes: Rock Bottom (RB), Unconsolidated bottom (UB), Aquatic Bed (AB), Unconsolidated Shore (US), Moss-lichen Wetland (ML), Emergent Wetland (EM), Scrub-Shrub Wetland (SS), Forested Wetland (FO)

Modifiers: Excavated (E), Impounded (I), Diked (D), Partly Drained (PD), Farmed (F), Artificial (A)

Water Regimes: Permanent / Perennial (PP), Seasonal / Intermittent (SI), Temporary / Ephemeral (TE)

11. Estimated relative abundance: (of similarly classified sites within the same Major Montana Watershed Basin, see definitions)
COMMON

12. General condition of AA:

i. Disturbance: (use matrix below to determine [circle] appropriate response – see instructions for Montana-listed noxious weed and aquatic nuisance vegetation species (ANVS) list)

Conditions within AA	Predominant conditions adjacent to (within 500 feet of) AA		
	Managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is >=15%.	Land not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to minor clearing; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 30%.	Land cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.
AA occurs and is managed in predominantly natural state; is not grazed, hayed, logged, or otherwise converted; does not contain roads or occupied buildings; and noxious weed or ANVS cover is <= 15%.	low disturbance	low disturbance	moderate disturbance
AA not cultivated, but may be moderately grazed or hayed or selectively logged; or has been subject to relatively minor clearing, fill placement, or hydrological alteration; contains few roads or buildings; noxious weed or ANVS cover is <=	moderate disturbance	moderate disturbance	high disturbance
AA cultivated or heavily grazed or logged; subject to relatively substantial fill placement, grading, clearing, or hydrological alteration; high road or building density; or noxious weed or ANVS cover is > 30%.	high disturbance	high disturbance	high disturbance

Comments: (types of disturbance, intensity, season, etc.): Limited agriculture (hay) and ranch structures to the east. Undeveloped riparian corridor and herbaceous uplands to north, south, and west. Two species of noxious weeds present within the AA. The AA is managed in a natural state, as are most of the lands within 500 feet of the AA.

ii. Prominent noxious, aquatic nuisance, & other exotic vegetation species: Cirsium arvense, Cynoglossum officinale

iii. Provide brief descriptive summary of AA and surrounding land use/habitat: The AA consists of one constructed secondary stream channel which bisects the mitigation area. The channel is active during high-flow events, is seasonally inundated by shallow groundwater early in the growing season, and has developed wetland characteristics.

13. Structural Diversity: (based on number of "Cowardin" **vegetated** classes present [do not include unvegetated classes], see #10 above)

Existing # of "Cowardin" Vegetated Classes in AA	Initial Rating	Is current management preventing (passive) existence of additional vegetated classes?		Modified Rating
>= 3 (or 2 if 1 is forested) classes	H	NA	NA	NA
2 (or 1 if forested) classes	M	NA	NA	NA
1 class, but not a monoculture	M	<-- NO	YES -->	L
1 class, monoculture (1 species comprises >= 90% of total cover)	L	NA	NA	NA

Comments: Planted shrubs along channel are surviving and establishing well. Cottonwood and willow seedlings/root suckers were noted along the channel. Significant herbivory was observed on saplings.

SECTION PERTAINING to FUNCTIONS & VALUES ASSESSMENT

14A. Habitat for Federally Listed or Proposed Threatened or Endangered Plants or Animals:

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)

Secondary habitat (list species)

Incidental habitat (list species)

Canada Lynx (LT), North American

North American Wolverine(S)

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
Functional Points and Rating	1H	.9H	.8M	.7M	.3L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): USFWS IPAC 2023

14B. Habitat for plant or animals rated S1, S2, or S3 by the Montana Natural Heritage Program: (not including species listed in 14A above)

i. AA is Documented (D) or Suspected (S) to contain (circle one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species)

Secondary habitat (list species)

Incidental habitat (list species)

Bobolink (D) - S2S3

Golden Eagle(D) - S2S3

ii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Highest Habitat Level	doc/primary	sus/primary	doc/secondary	sus/secondary	doc/incidental	sus/incidental	None
S1 Species: Functional Points and Rating	1H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.2L	.1L	0L
S2 and S3 Species: Functional Points and Rating	.9H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.2L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use (e.g. observations, records, etc): MTNHP, 2013 and 2019-2022 field observations. Bobolink nesting on site documented by MDT staff. Bald Eagle observed onsite in 2023.

14C. General Wildlife Habitat Rating:

i. **Evidence of overall wildlife use in the AA** (circle substantial, moderate, or low based on supporting evidence):

Substantial (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ observations of abundant wildlife #s or high species diversity (during any period)
- ☐ abundant wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☐ presence of extremely limiting habitat features not available in the surrounding area
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Minimal (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☐ few or no wildlife observations during peak use periods
- ☐ little to no wildlife sign
- ☐ sparse adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

Moderate (based on any of the following [check]):

- ☒ observations of scattered wildlife groups or individuals or relatively few species during peak periods
- ☒ common occurrence of wildlife sign such as scat, tracks, nest structures, game trails, etc.
- ☒ adequate adjacent upland food sources
- ☐ interviews with local biologists with knowledge of the AA

ii. **Wildlife habitat features** (Working from top to bottom, circle appropriate AA attributes in matrix to arrive at rating. Structural diversity is from #13. For class cover to be considered evenly distributed, the most and least prevalent vegetated classes must be within 20% of each other in terms of their percent composition of the AA (see #10). Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; T/E = temporary/ephemeral; and A = absent [see instructions for further definitions of these terms])

Structural diversity (see #13)	High								Moderate								Low			
Class cover distribution (all vegetated classes)	Even				Uneven				Even				Uneven				Even			
Duration of surface water in >=10% of AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A	P/P	S/I	T/E	A
Low disturbance at AA (see #12i)	E	E	E	H	E	E	H	H	E	H	H	M	E	H	M	M	E	H	M	M
Moderate disturbance at AA (see #12i)	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	M	H	H	M	M	H	M	M	L	H	M	L	L
High disturbance at AA (see #12i)	M	M	M	L	M	M	L	L	M	M	L	L	M	L	L	L	L	L	L	L

iii. **Rating** (use the conclusions from i and ii above and the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Evidence of wildlife use (i)	Wildlife habitat features rating (ii)			
	Exceptional		High	Moderate
Substantial	1E		.9H	.8H
Moderate	.9H		.7M	.5M
Minimal	.6M		.4M	.2L

Comments: AA has frequent deer and moose sightings. Food plots located adjacent/east of the project boundary provide supplemental food for wildlife. There is a Bald Eagle nest directly southwest of the site and a Bald Eagle was observed soaring above the site in 2023.

14D. General Fish Habitat Rating: (Assess this function if the AA is used by fish or the existing situation is "correctable" such that the AA could be used by fish [i.e., fish use is precluded by perched culvert or other barrier, etc.]. If the AA is not used by fish, fish use is not restorable due to habitat constraints, or is not desired from a management perspective [such as fish entrapped in a canal], then mark **X NA** and proceed to 14E.)

Type of Fishery: Cold Water (CW) ☐ Warm Water (WW) ☐ Use the CW or WW guidelines in the user manual to complete the matrix

i. Habitat Quality and Known / Suspected Fish Species in AA (use matrix to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Duration of surface water in AA	Permanent / Perennial						Seasonal / Intermittent						Temporary / Ephemeral					
Aquatic hiding / resting / escape cover	Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor		Optimal		Adequate		Poor	
Thermal cover optimal / suboptimal	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S	O	S
FWP Tier I fish species	1E	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
FWP Tier II or Native Game fish species	.9H	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L
FWP Tier III or Introduced Game fish	.8H	.7M	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.7M	.6M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.2L	.1L
FWP Non-Game Tier IV or No fish species	.5M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.4M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.2L	.1L	.1L	.1L

Sources used for identifying fish sp. potentially found in AA:

ii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1)

a) Is fish use of the AA significantly reduced by a culvert, dike, or other man-made structure or activity or is the waterbody included on the current final MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development with listed "Probable Impaired Uses" including cold or warm water fishery or aquatic life support, or do aquatic nuisance plant or animal species (see Appendix E) occur in fish habitat? ☐ If yes, reduce score in i above by 0.1.

b) Does the AA contain a documented spawning area or other critical habitat feature (i.e., sanctuary pool, upwelling area, etc.- specify in comments) for native fish or introduced game fish? ☐ If yes, add 0.1 to the adjusted score in i or iia.

iii. Final Score and Rating: NA

Comments: Although activated during high-flow events within the Shields River, no permanent fish habitat is present within AA.

14E. Flood Attenuation: (Applies only to wetlands subject to flooding via in-channel or overbank flow. If wetlands in AA are not flooded from in-channel or overbank flow, mark **NA** and proceed to 14F.)

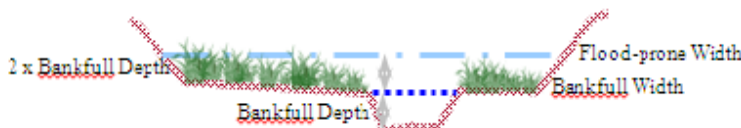
i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Estimated or Calculated Entrenchment (Rosgen 1994, 1996)	Slightly entrenched - C, D, E stream types			Moderately entrenched - B stream type			Entrenched-A, F, G stream types		
% of flooded wetland classified as forested and/or scrub/shrub	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%	75%	25-75%	<25%
AA contains no outlet or restricted outlet	1H	.9H	.6M	.8H	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.8H	.5M	.7M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Entrenchment ratio (ER) estimation – see User's Manual for additional guidance. Entrenchment ratio = (flood-prone width)/(bankfull width) Flood-prone width = estimated horizontal projection of where 2 x maximum bankfull depth elevation intersects the floodplain on each side of the stream.

$$\frac{133}{28} = 4.75$$

Flood-prone width Bankfull width Entrenchment ratio (ER)



Slightly Entrenched ER = >2.2			Moderately Entrenched ER = 1.41 – 2.2	Entrenched ER = 1.0 – 1.4		
C stream type	D stream type	E stream type	B stream type	A stream type	F stream type	G stream type

ii. Are ≥10 acres of wetland in the AA subject to flooding AND are man-made features which may be significantly damaged by floods located within 0.5 mile downstream of the AA (circle)? **X**

Comments: Outlet is restricted. AA is subject to overflow from Shields River and empties into old meanders of the Shields River at the south end of AA. 9% of AA is classified as scrub/shrub. Houses located within 0.5 miles downstream.

14F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage: (Applies to wetlands that flood or pond from overbank or in-channel flow, precipitation, upland surface flow, or groundwater flow. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to flooding or ponding, NA and proceed to 14G.)

i. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Abbreviations for surface water durations are as follows: P/P = permanent/perennial; S/I = seasonal/intermittent; and T/E = temporary/ephemeral [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

Estimated maximum acre feet of water contained in wetlands within the AA that are subject to periodic flooding or ponding	>5 acre feet			1.1 to 5 acre feet			<=1 acre foot		
Duration of surface water at wetlands within the AA	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E	P/P	S/I	T/E
Wetlands in AA flood or pond >= 5 out of 10 years	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
Wetlands in AA flood or pond < 5 out of 10 years	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: (1.64 acre of restoration) x (average 1 ft. ponding/flow at high water) = 1.64 acre feet

14G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Retention and Removal: (Applies to wetlands with potential to receive sediments, nutrients, or toxicants through influx of surface or ground water or direct input. If no wetlands in the AA are subject to such input, NA and proceed to 14H.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating [H=high, M=moderate, or L=low])

Sediment, nutrient, and toxicant input levels within AA	AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds at levels such that other functions are not substantially impaired. Minor sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.				Waterbody on MDEQ list of waterbodies in need of TMDL development for "probable causes" related to sediment, nutrients, or toxicants or AA receives or surrounding land use with potential to deliver high levels of sediments, nutrients, or compounds such that other functions are substantially impaired. Major sedimentation, sources of nutrients or toxicants, or signs of eutrophication present.			
% cover of wetland vegetation in AA	>= 70%		< 70%		>= 70%		< 70%	
Evidence of flooding / ponding in AA	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
AA contains no or restricted outlet	1H	.8H	.7M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L	.2L
AA contains unrestricted outlet	.9H	.7M	.6M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: Cover in AA is greater than 70% and outlet is topographically restricted.

14H Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization: (Applies only if AA occurs on or within the banks or a river, stream, or other natural or man-made drainage, or on the shoreline of a standing water body which is subject to wave action. If 14H does not apply, NA and proceed to 14I.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

% Cover of <u>wetland</u> streambank or shoreline by species with stability ratings of >=6 (see Appendix F).	Duration of surface water adjacent to rooted vegetation		
	Permanent / Perennial	Seasonal / Intermittent	Temporary / Ephemeral
>= 65%	1H	.9H	.7M
35-64%	.7M	.6M	.5M
35%	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: Cover in AA is greater than 70% and outlet is topographically restricted.

14I. Production Export/Food Chain Support:

i. Level of Biological Activity (synthesis of wildlife and fish habitat ratings [circle])

General Fish Habitat Rating (14D.iii.)	General Wildlife Habitat Rating (14C.iii.)		
	E/H	M	L
E/H	H	H	M
M	H	M	M
L	M	M	L
N/A	H	M	L

ii. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating. Factor A = acreage of vegetated wetland component in the AA; Factor B = level of biological activity rating from above (14I.i.); Factor C = whether or not the AA contains a surface or subsurface outlet; the final three rows pertain to duration of surface water in the AA, where P/P, S/I, and T/E are as previously defined, and A = "absent" [see instructions for further definitions of these terms].)

A	Vegetated component >5 acres						Vegetated component 1-5 acres						Vegetated component < 1 acre					
B	High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low		High		Moderate		Low	
C	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
P/P	1H	.7M	.8H	.5M	.6M	.4M	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L
S/I	.9H	.6M	.7M	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.5M	.5M	.3L	.3L	.2L
T/E/A	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7M	.4M	.5M	.2L	.3L	.1L	.6M	.4M	.4M	.2L	.2L	.1L

iii. Modified Rating (NOTE: Modified score cannot exceed 1 or be less than 0.1.) **Vegetated Upland Buffer (VUB):** Area with >= 30% plant cover, = 15% noxious weed or ANVS cover, and that is not subjected to periodic mechanical mowing or clearing (unless for weed control).

a) Is there an average >= 50 foot-wide vegetated upland buffer around >= 75% of the AA circumference?

X If yes, add 0.1 to the score in ii above.

iv. Final Score and Rating: 0.70M

Comments: Channel is seasonally inundated and has a restricted outlet at the southern end of the mitigation site.

14J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge: (check the appropriate indicators in i & ii below)

i. Discharge Indicators

- ☐ The AA is a slope wetland
- ☐ Springs or seeps are known or observed
- ☐ Vegetation growing during dormant season/drought
- ☐ Wetland occurs at the toe of a natural slope
- ☐ AA permanently flooded during drought periods
- ☐ Wetland contains an outlet, but no inlet
- ☒ Shallow water table and the site is saturated to the surface
- ☐ Other:

ii. Recharge Indicators

- ☒ Permeable substrate present without underlying impeding layer
- ☐ Wetland contains inlet but no outlet
- ☐ Stream is a known 'losing' stream; discharge volume decreases
- ☐ Other:

iii. Rating (use the information from i and ii above and the table below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Criteria	Duration of saturation at AA Wetlands FROM GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE OR WITH WATER THAT IS RECHARGING THE GROUNDWATER SYSTEM			
	P/P	S/I	T	None
Groundwater Discharge or Recharge	1H	.7M	.4M	.1L
Insufficient Data/Information	N/A			

Comments: Channel is intermittently inundated by shallow groundwater and high flows from the Shields River.

14K. Uniqueness:

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [circle] the functional points and rating)

Replacement potential	AA contains fen, bog, warm springs or mature (>80 yr-old) forested wetland or plant association listed as "S1" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types and structural diversity (#13) is high or contains plant association listed as "S2" by the MTNHP			AA does not contain previously cited rare types or associations and structural diversity (#13) is low-moderate		
	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant
Estimated relative abundance (#11)	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant	rare	common	abundant
Low disturbance at AA (#12i)	1H	.9H	.8H	.8H	.6M	.5M	.5M	.4M	.3L
Moderate disturbance at AA (#12i)	.9H	.8H	.7M	.7M	.5M	.4M	.4M	.3L	.2L
High disturbance at AA (#12i)	.8H	.7M	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: PEM/PSS wetland within seasonal flood channel. Common wetland type within basin with 10-50% of area wetlands similar to this one.

14L. Recreation/Education Potential: (affords "bonus" points if AA provides recreation or education opportunity)

i. Is the AA a known or potential rec./ed. site: (circle) ____ (if 'Yes' continue with the evaluation; if 'No' then mark **X** **NA** and proceed to the overall summary and rating page)

ii. Check categories that apply to the AA: ____ Educational/scientific study; ____ Consumptive rec.; ____ Non-consumptive rec.;
____ Other :

iii. Rating:

Known or Potential Recreation or Education Area	Known	Potential
Public ownership or public easement with general public access (no permission required)	.2H	.15H
Private ownership with general public access (no permission required)	.15H	.1M
Private or public ownership without general public access, or requiring permission for public access	.1M	.05L

Comments: Landowner does not allow public access or educational use of the site.

General Site Notes
AA contains a diversity of habitats and wildlife.

FUNCTION & VALUE SUMMARY & OVERALL RATING FOR WETLAND/SITE #(S): Restoration

Function & Value Variables	Rating	Actual Functional Points	Possible Functional Points	Functional Units: (Actual Points x Wetland Acreage)	Indicate the four most prominent functions with an asterisk (*)
A. Listed/Proposed T&E Species Habitat	L	0.10	1	0.16	
B. MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat	H	0.90	1	1.48	*
C. General Wildlife Habitat	M	0.70	1	1.15	*
D. General Fish Habitat	NA				
E. Flood Attenuation	M	0.60	1	0.98	
F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage	M	0.60	1	0.98	
G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	H	1.00	1	1.64	*
H. Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	H	0.90	1	1.48	*
I. Production Export/Food Chain Support	M	0.70	1	1.15	
J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	M	0.70	1	1.15	
K. Uniqueness	M	0.40	1	0.66	
L. Recreation/Education Potential (bonus points)	NA				
Totals:		6.60	10.00	10.83	
Percent of Possible Score			66%		

Category I Wetland: (must satisfy one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category II)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for Listed/Proposed Threatened or Endangered Species; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☐ Score of 1 functional point for Flood Attenuation and answer to Question 14E.ii is "yes"; **or**
☐ Percent of possible score > 80% (round to nearest whole #).

Category II Wetland: (Criteria for Category I not satisfied and meets any one of the following criteria; otherwise go to Category IV)

- ☐ Score of 1 functional point for MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Wildlife Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 or 1 functional point for General Fish Habitat; **or**
☐ "High" to "Exceptional" ratings for **both** General Wildlife Habitat **and** General Fish/Aquatic Habitat; **or**
☐ Score of .9 functional point for Uniqueness; **or**
☒ Percent of possible score > 65% (round to nearest whole #).

Category III Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I, II, or IV not satisfied)

Category IV Wetland: (Criteria for Categories I or II are not satisfied and all of the following criteria are met; otherwise go to Category III)

- ☐ "Low" rating for Uniqueness; **and**
☐ Vegetated wetland component 1 acre (do not include upland vegetated buffer); **and**
☐ Percent of possible score 35% (round to nearest whole #).

OVERALL ANALYSIS AREA RATING: II

Summary Comments: This AA contains high structural diversity and supports a dynamic wetland community.

Table B-1. Easton Ranch Wetland Mitigation Site. Comprehensive Vegetation Species List 2010 – 2023

Scientific Names	Common Names	WMVC Indicator Status ¹
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Common Yarrow	FACU
<i>Agrostis gigantea</i>	Black Bent	FAC
<i>Agrostis stolonifera</i>	Spreading Bent	FAC
Algae, green	Algae, green	NA
<i>Alisma gramineum</i>	Narrow-Leaf Water-Plantain	OBL
<i>Alnus incana</i>	Speckled Alder	FACW
<i>Alopecurus geniculatus</i>	Marsh Meadow-Foxtail	OBL
<i>Alopecurus arundinaceus</i>	Creeping Meadow-Foxtail	FAC
<i>Alopecurus pratensis</i>	Field Meadow-Foxtail	FAC
<i>Alyssum alyssoides</i>	Pale Alyssum	UPL
<i>Amaranthus retroflexus</i>	Red-Root	FACU
<i>Arctium</i> sp.	Burdock	UPL
<i>Asclepias speciosa</i>	Showy Milkweed	FAC
<i>Astragalus cicer</i>	Cicer Milkvetch	UPL
<i>Avena fatua</i>	Wild Oats	UPL
<i>Bassia scoparia</i>	Mexican-Fireweed	FAC
<i>Beckmannia syzigachne</i>	American Slough Grass	OBL
<i>Berteroa incana</i>	Hoary False Alyssum	UPL
<i>Bidens cernua</i>	Nodding Burr-Marigold	OBL
<i>Brassica kaber</i>	Wild Mustard	UPL
<i>Brassica napus</i>	Turnip	UPL
<i>Bromus arvensis</i>	Field Brome	UPL
<i>Bromus carinatus</i>	California Brome	UPL
<i>Bromus ciliatus</i>	Fringed Brome	FAC
<i>Bromus inermis</i>	Smooth Brome	UPL
<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	Cheatgrass	UPL
<i>Calamagrostis canadensis</i>	Bluejoint	FACW
<i>Camelina microcarpa</i>	Little-Pod False Flax	FACU
<i>Carduus nutans</i>	Nodding Plumeless-Thistle	UPL
<i>Carex aquatilis</i>	Leafy Tussock Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex atherodes</i>	Wheat Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex aurea</i>	Golden-Fruit Sedge	FACW
<i>Carex bebbii</i>	Bebb's Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex limosa</i>	Mud Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex microptera</i>	Small-winged Sedge	FACU
<i>Carex nebrascensis</i>	Nebraska Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex pachystachya</i>	Thick-Head Sedge	FAC
<i>Carex parryana</i>	Parry's Sedge	FACW
<i>Carex pellita</i>	Woolly Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex praegracilis</i>	Clustered Field Sedge	FACW
<i>Carex rostrata</i>	Swollen Beaked Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex scoparia</i>	Pointed Broom Sedge	FACW
<i>Carex</i> sp.	Sedge	NA
<i>Carex stipata</i>	Stalk-Grain Sedge	OBL
<i>Carex utriculata</i>	Northwest Territory Sedge	OBL

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<i>Carex vesicaria</i>	Lesser Bladder Sedge	OBL
<i>Carum carvi</i>	Caraway	FACU
<i>Cassiope mertensiana</i>	Western Moss-Heather	FACU
<i>Chenopodium album</i>	Lamb's-Quarters	FACU
<i>Chenopodium leptophyllum</i>	Narrow-Leaf Goosefoot	FACU
<i>Cicuta douglasii</i>	Western Water-Hemlock	OBL
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Canadian Thistle	FAC
<i>Cirsium douglasii</i>	Douglas' Thistle	OBL
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Bull Thistle	FACU
<i>Conium maculatum</i>	Poison-Hemlock	FAC
<i>Convolvulus arvensis</i>	Field Bindweed	UPL
<i>Cornus alba</i>	Red Osier	FACW
<i>Cynoglossum officinale</i>	Gypsy-Flower	FACU
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Orchard Grass	FACU
<i>Dasiphora fruticosa</i>	Golden-Hardhack	FAC
<i>Deschampsia caespitosa</i>	Tufted Hair Grass	FACW
<i>Descurainia sophia</i>	Herb Sophia	UPL
<i>Dracocephalum</i> sp.	Dragonhead	UPL
<i>Eleocharis palustris</i>	Common Spike-Rush	OBL
<i>Elodea</i> sp.	Waterweed	NA
<i>Elymus repens</i>	Creeping Wild Rye	FAC
<i>Elymus</i> sp.	Wild Rye	NA
<i>Elymus trachycaulus</i>	Slender Wild Rye	FAC
<i>Epilobium ciliatum</i>	Fringed Willowherb	FACW
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Field Horsetail	FAC
<i>Equisetum hyemale</i>	Tall Scouring-Rush	FACW
<i>Equisetum laevigatum</i>	Smooth Scouring-Rush	FACW
<i>Fragaria virginiana</i>	Virginia Strawberry	FACU
<i>Galium palustre</i>	Common Marsh Bedstraw	OBL
<i>Geum macrophyllum</i>	Large-Leaf Avens	FAC
<i>Glyceria elata</i>	Tall Manna Grass	FACW
<i>Glyceria grandis</i>	American Manna Grass	OBL
<i>Glyceria striata</i>	Fowl Manna Grass	OBL
<i>Glycyrrhiza lepidota</i>	American Licorice	FAC
<i>Helianthus annuus</i>	Common Sunflower	FACU
<i>Hippuris vulgaris</i>	Common Mare's-Tail	OBL
<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>	Fox-Tail Barley	FAC
<i>Juncus balticus</i>	Baltic Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus bufonius</i>	Toad Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus effusus</i>	Lamp Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus ensifolius</i>	Dagger-Leaf Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus longistylis</i>	Long-Style Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus nevadensis</i>	Sierran Rush	FACW
<i>Juncus tenuis</i>	Lesser Poverty Rush	FAC
<i>Juncus torreyi</i>	Torrey's Rush	FACW
<i>Lappula occidentalis</i>	Flatspine Stickseed	UPL
<i>Larix occidentalis</i>	Western Larch	FACU

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<i>Lepidium campestre</i>	Field Pepperweed	UPL
<i>Lepidium perfoliatum</i>	Clasping Pepperwort	FACU
<i>Leymus cinereus</i>	Great Basin Lyme Grass	FAC
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Garden Bird's-Foot-Trefoil	FAC
<i>Lupinus argenteus</i>	Silvery Lupine	UPL
<i>Lycopus asper</i>	Rough Water-Horehound	OBL
<i>Lysimachia ciliata</i>	Fringed Yellow-Loosestrife	FACW
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Black Medick	FACU
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Alfalfa	UPL
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	Yellow Sweet-Clover	FACU
<i>Mentha arvensis</i>	American Wild Mint	FACW
<i>Mimulus guttatus</i>	Seep Monkey-Flower	OBL
<i>Myriophyllum sp.</i>	Water-Milfoil	NA
<i>Panicum miliaceum</i>	Proso Millet	UPL
<i>Pascopyrum smithii</i>	Western-Wheat Grass	FACU
<i>Persicaria amphibia</i>	Water Smartweed	OBL
<i>Persicaria lapathifolia</i>	Dock-Leaf Smartweed	FACW
<i>Persicaria maculosa</i>	Spotted Lady's-Thumb	FACW
<i>Phalaris arundinacea</i>	Reed Canary Grass	FACW
<i>Phleum pratense</i>	Common Timothy	FAC
<i>Plantago major</i>	Great Plantain	FAC
<i>Poa compressa</i>	Flat-Stem Blue Grass	FACU
<i>Poa palustris</i>	Fowl Blue Grass	FAC
<i>Poa pratensis</i>	Kentucky Blue Grass	FAC
<i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>	Annual Rabbit's-Foot Grass	FACW
<i>Polypogon viridis</i>	Beardless Rabbit's-Foot Grass	FACW
<i>Populus angustifolia</i>	Narrow-Leaf Cottonwood	FACW
<i>Populus balsamifera</i>	Balsam Poplar	FAC
<i>Populus tremuloides</i>	Quaking Aspen	FACU
<i>Potamogeton gramineus</i>	Grassy Pondweed	OBL
<i>Potamogeton praelongus</i>	White-Stem Pondweed	OBL
<i>Potentilla anserina</i>	Silverweed	OBL
<i>Potentilla gracilis</i>	Graceful Cinquefoil	FAC
<i>Potentilla recta</i>	Sulphur Cinquefoil	UPL
<i>Prunus virginiana</i>	Choke Cherry	FACU
<i>Pseudoroegneria spicata</i>	Bluebunch Wheatgrass	UPL
<i>Ranunculus aquatilis</i>	White Water-Crowfoot	OBL
<i>Ranunculus gmelinii</i>	Lesser Yellow Water Buttercup	FACW
<i>Ranunculus macounii</i>	Macoun's Buttercup	OBL
<i>Rhamnus alnifolia</i>	Alder-Leaf Buckthorn	FACW
<i>Ribes inerme</i>	White-Stem Gooseberry	FAC
<i>Ribes lacustre</i>	Bristly Black Gooseberry	FAC
<i>Rosa woodsii</i>	Woods' Rose	FACU
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curly Dock	FAC
<i>Rumex salicifolius</i>	Willow Dock	FACW
<i>Ruppia maritima</i>	Beaked Ditch-Grass	OBL
<i>Salix amygdaloides</i>	Peach-Leaf Willow	FACW

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<i>Salix bebbiana</i>	Gray Willow	FACW
<i>Salix boothii</i>	Booth's Willow	FACW
<i>Salix drummondiana</i>	Drummond's Willow	FACW
<i>Salix exigua</i>	Narrow-Leaf Willow	FACW
<i>Salix lasiandra</i>	Pacific Willow	FACW
<i>Salix lutea</i>	Yellow Willow	OBL
<i>Schedonorus arundinaceus</i>	Tall False Rye Grass	FAC
<i>Schedonorus pratensis</i>	Meadow False Rye Grass	FACU
<i>Schoenoplectus pungens</i>	Three-square	OBL
<i>Scirpus microcarpus</i>	Red-Tinge Bulrush	OBL
<i>Scirpus pallidus</i>	Pale Bulrush	OBL
<i>Scutellaria galericulata</i>	Hooded Skullcap	OBL
<i>Scutellaria lateriflora</i>	Mad Dog Skullcap	FACW
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	White Cockle or Campion	UPL
<i>Sinapis arvensis</i>	Corn Mustard	UPL
<i>Sisymbrium altissimum</i>	Tall Hedge-Mustard	FACU
<i>Sisymbrium loeselii</i>	Small Hedge Mustard	UPL
<i>Sisyrinchium idahoense</i>	Idaho Blue-eyed-Grass	FACW
<i>Sisyrinchium montanum</i>	Strict Blue-eyed-Grass	FAC
<i>Solidago canadensis</i>	Canadian Goldenrod	FACU
<i>Solidago gigantea</i>	Late Goldenrod	FACW
<i>Sonchus arvensis</i>	Field Sow-Thistle	FACU
<i>Stachys pilosa</i>	Hairy Hedge-Nettle	FACW
<i>Stellaria graminea</i>	Grass-Leaf Starwort	FACU
<i>Symphoricarpos albus</i>	Common Snowberry	FACU
<i>Symphotrichum subspicatum</i>	Leafy-Bract American-Aster	FACW
<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	Common Dandelion	FACU
<i>Thlaspi arvense</i>	Field Pennycress	UPL
<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	Meadow Goat's-beard	UPL
<i>Trifolium arvense</i>	Rabbit-foot Clover	UPL
<i>Trifolium hybridum</i>	Alsike Clover	FAC
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Red Clover	FACU
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover	FAC
<i>Triglochin maritima</i>	Seaside Arrow-Grass	OBL
<i>Typha latifolia</i>	Broad-Leaf Cat-Tail	OBL
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Stinging Nettle	FAC
<i>Verbascum thapsus</i>	Great Mullein	FACU
<i>Veronica scutellata</i>	Grass-Leaf Speedwell	OBL
<i>Vicia americana</i>	American Purple Vetch	FAC
<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	Rough Cocklebur	FAC

¹ 2020 NWPL (USACE 2020)

New species identified in 2023 are **bolded**.

APPENDIX C

PROJECT AREA PHOTOGRAPHS

MDT Wetland Mitigation Monitoring
Easton Ranch
Park County, Montana

Easton Ranch: Photo Point Photos



Photo Point: 1
Bearing: 250 degrees

Location: East Boundary
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 1
Bearing: 250 degrees

Location: East Boundary
Year: 2023



Photo Point: 2
Bearing: 200 degrees

Location: Northeast Corner
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 2
Bearing: 200 degrees

Location: Northeast Corner
Year: 2023



Photo Point: 3
Bearing: 100 degrees

Location: Northwest Corner
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 3
Bearing: 100 degrees

Location: Northwest Corner
Year: 2023

Easton Ranch: Photo Point Photos



Photo Point: 4A
Bearing: 170 degrees

Location: Shields Bank DS
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 4A
Bearing: 170 degrees

Location: Shields Bank DS
Year: 2023



Photo Point: 4B
Bearing: 20 degrees

Location: Shields Bank US
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 4B
Bearing: 20 degrees

Location: Shields Bank US
Year: 2023 – 2021 location*



Photo Point: 5
Bearing: 90 degrees

Location: West Boundary
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 5
Bearing: 90 degrees

Location: West Boundary
Year: 2023

* new (2021) photo point location due to bank loss during high flows in 2018.

Easton Ranch: Photo Point Photos



Photo Point: 6
Bearing: 0 degrees

Location: Southwest Corner
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 6
Bearing: 0 degrees

Location: Southwest Corner
Year: 2023



Photo Point: 7
Bearing: 340 degrees

Location: Southeast Corner
Year: 2010



Photo Point: 7
Bearing: 340 degrees

Location: Southeast Corner
Year: 2023

Easton Ranch: Transect Photos



Transect 1: Start
Bearing: 5 degrees

Location: Veg Com 8 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 1: Start
Bearing: 5 degrees

Location: Veg Com 21 foreground
Year: 2023



Transect 1: End
Bearing: 185 degrees

Location: Veg Com 8 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 1: End
Bearing: 185 degrees

Location: Veg Com 10 foreground
Year: 2023



Transect 2: Start
Bearing: 185 degrees

Location: Veg Com 1 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 2: Start
Bearing: 185 degrees

Location: Veg Com 3 foreground
Year: 2023

Easton Ranch: Transect Photos



Transect 2: End
Bearing: 0 degrees
Location: Veg Com 1 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 2: End
Bearing: 0 degrees
Location: Veg Com 13 foreground
Year: 2023



Transect 3: Start
Bearing: 95 degrees
Location: Veg Com 1 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 3: Start
Bearing: 95 degrees
Location: Veg Com 13 foreground
Year: 2023



Transect 3: End
Bearing: 265 degrees
Location: Veg Com 1 foreground
Year: 2010



Transect 3: End
Bearing: 265 degrees
Location: Veg Com 1 foreground
Year: 2023

Easton Ranch: Data Point Photos



Data Point: DP01w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 15



Data Point: DP01u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 18



Data Point: DP02w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 11



Data Point: DP02u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 1



Data Point: DP03w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 11



Data Point: DP03u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 1

Easton Ranch: Data Point Photos



Data Point: DP04w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 5



Data Point: DP04u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 1



Data Point: DP05w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 14



Data Point: DP05u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 13



Data Point: DP06w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 14



Data Point: DP06u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 13

Easton Ranch: Data Point Photos



Data Point: DP07w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 11



Data Point: DP07u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 16



Data Point: DP08w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 14



Data Point: DP08u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 18



Data Point: DP09w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 21



Data Point: DP09u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 1

Easton Ranch: Data Point Photos



Data Point: DP10w
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 20



Data Point: DP10u
Year: 2023

Location: Veg Com 1