Montana Department of Transportation Wetland Mitigation Monitoring Report

JTX – TUNNICLIFF RANCH MITIGATION SITE

Project Overview

MDT Project Number: STPX-STWD (056) UPN# 7286

Watershed: Watershed #14 – Middle Yellowstone

Monitoring Year: 2021

Years Monitored: 6th year of monitoring

Corps Permit Number: NWO-2010-01938-MTH

Monitoring Conducted By: Confluence Consulting Inc

Dates Monitoring Was Conducted: June 18 and 19, 2021

Purpose of the Approved Project:

The site was constructed to provide 29.63 acres of compensatory wetland mitigation credits for wetland impacts associated with future transportation project-related projects in Watershed #14 – Middle Yellowstone. Construction consisted of excavating a series of 13 cells ranging in size from 0.33 to 1.50 acres. Eight woody planting enclosures, with 1,650 containerized woody plantings, were constructed around the periphery of excavated cells to establish scrub/shrub wetland and riparian habitat.

Site Location:

Latitude: 45.83953 **Longitude:** - 107.59887

County: Big Horn **Nearest Town:** Hardin, MT

Map Included: Figure 1 on page #8.

Mitigation Site Construction Started: Fall/2015 **Construction Ended:** Winter/2016

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

Activity: None **Date:** N/A

Specific recommendations for any additional corrective actions: MDT should evaluate the methods used to treat noxious weeds in 2022, so that noxious weed cover remains below the 5% threshold. Four enclosure fences need repair. Three fences were damaged in the lightning-sparked fire that occurred in July 2020 and another fence has a hole and is sagging (See Figure A-3). MDT should evaluate the re-establishment and location of woody species on the site. MDT could consider reconfiguring the planting exclosures and replanting woody vegetation at the site to meet performance standards.

Anticipated Wetland Credit Acres: 29.63

Wetland Credit Acres Generated to Date: 10.87

Previous Monitoring Reports:
https://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/brochures/wetland_mitigation.shtml

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

Requirements (from approved mitigation plan, banking instrument, or Department of Army (DA) permit conditions)

Performance Standards: A summary of performance standards established for the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch site and whether they are being achieved is provided in Table 1.

Table 1. Summary of Performance Standards

Performance Standards	Success Criteria	Criteria Achieved Y/N	Discussion
Wetland Characteristics	The three parameter criteria for hydrology, vegetation, and soils are met as outlined in the 1987 Wetland Manual and 2010 Great Plains Regional Supplement.	Y	All 13 excavated cells contain wetlands and meet the wetland hydrology, vegetation, and soil requirements. Wetlands have developed across 8.18 acres of the site in 2021.
Wetland Hydrology	Soil saturation is present for at least 12.5 percent of the growing season.	Y	All 13 excavated cells were saturated near the surface during the 2021 monitoring event.
Hydric Soil	Hydric soil conditions are present or appear to be forming.	Y	All excavated cells within the mitigation site exhibit hydric soil indicators (e.g., sulfidic odor, depleted matrix, 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	Vegetative cover was estimated as 85% across disturbed upland areas and 50-90% across wetland areas in 2021. Soils on the site are supporting plant cover.
Hydrophytic Vegetation	Wetland plant communities are delineated as hydrophytic by using technical guidelines.	Y	All 13 excavated cells had developed wetland plant communities as of the 2021 monitoring event.
	Noxious weeds do not exceed 5 percent cover.	Y	Noxious weeds were identified in nine locations across the site and noxious weed cover was estimated at 3% in 2021. No noxious weeds were detected within the wetland vegetation communities.
	Hydrophytic vegetation success will include achieving a minimum overall vegetation cover of 70 percent in created wetland areas within 5 years after site construction.	N	Vegetative cover within the excavated cells ranged from 40 to 90 percent in 2021. Cells 1, 2, and 3 were the only cells that didn't meet the 70% cover threshold. This performance measure for all created wetland areas is trending in a positive direction.
Woody Plants	Plantings exceed 50 percent survival after 5 years.	N	Less than 2 percent of the woody plants installed at the site were alive in 2021.
Upland Buffer	Noxious weeds do not exceed 5 percent cover within the buffer areas on the site.	Y	Noxious weed cover was estimated at 3% across the site in 2021. All weed infestations were located within the upland buffer.
	Any disturbed area within the creditable buffer zone must have at least 50 percent aerial cover of non-weed species by the end of the monitoring period.	Y	Upland buffers that surround the wetland areas exhibited approximately 80% aerial cover of non-weed species, with the exception of the burned area which exhibited approximately 45% cover.
Fencing	Wildlife-friendly fencing is installed along the easement boundaries.	Y	Wildlife-friendly fencing has been installed around three sides of the easement boundary and is in good condition. The western boundary has standard barbed wire fencing.

Performance Standards	Success Criteria	Criteria Achieved Y/N	Discussion
	Fencing is installed around planting exclosures (PE).	N/Y	Exclosure fences PE-01 and PE-03 were burned in the July 2020 fire. PE-05 has a hole, and a short segment of fence sagging from the top that need minimal repair.

Summary Data

Wetland Delineation – In 2021, because of severe drought conditions experienced in the region (Fuchs and Riganti 2021), wetland cells were significantly dewatered and displayed a reduction in vegetative cover of wetland plant species. However, all 13 wetland cells were dominated by wetland vegetation, have developed hydric soil indicators, and exhibit wetland hydrology. A total of 8.18 acres of emergent wetland were delineated within 13 wetland cells, which is a 0.44-acre decrease from 2020. This reduction in wetland acreage is likely due to the severe drought as the hydrology in the excavated wetland cells are dependent on seasonally high groundwater associated with Bighorn River flows.

Before construction, MDT identified two small palustrine emergent wetlands in the southeastern corner of the site and a smaller palustrine emergent wetland along the eastern boundary, which altogether totaled 0.03 acre. These small wetlands were identified and mapped during the 2021 monitoring event, and no changes were noted from previous years (Figure A-3, Appendix A).

Functional Assessment – The JTX Tunnicliff mitigation site has developed into a Category III wetland that generated 44.99 Functional Units in 2021 (Table 2). . The rating for sediment/shoreline stabilization was eliminated due to the lack of open water on the site in 2021, decreasing the number of possible functional points. In wetter years, this rating is likely to increase again. Completed Montana Wetland Assessment Method (MWAM) forms for the site are provided in Appendix B.

Vegetation - All desirable vegetation communities within the mitigation site were robust in 2021, though effects of the drought were detected. The wetland plant communities exhibited significantly decreased coverage from obligate and FAC-wet species, and the upland plant communities displayed only moderate vigor and increased amounts of litter. A total of 70 plant species have been identified at the site over the last 5 years, with one new species reported in 2021 (Table B-1; Appendix B).

Four upland community types and two wetland community types were identified and mapped at the site in 2021 (Figure A-3, Appendix A). Dominant plant species observed within each community are listed on the Wetland Mitigation Site Monitoring form (Appendix B). The majority of the excavated cells have developed a wetland community dominated by *Schoenoplectus spp./Typha latifolia* (i.e. Wetland Type 9). In previous years, wetland cells 1, 2, 3, and 10 had wetland plant communities that are still becoming established and thus the community type in these cells was named “transitional wetland”. In 2021, the vegetation community was renamed as wetland community type 13 (*Hordeum jubatum/Elymus repens*), which reflects the continuous increase in hydrophytic vegetation that has been observed between 2019 and 2021.

The vegetation community types identified on the site in 2021 are as follows:

- Upland Type 6 – *Pascopyrum smithii/Poa pratensis*
- Upland Type 7 – *Schedonorus pratensis*
- Upland Type 8 – *Elymus hispidus*
- Upland Type 12 – *Elaeagnus angustifolia/Elymus hispidus*

- Wetland Type 9 – *Schoenoplectus spp./Typha latifolia*
- Wetland Type 13 –*Hordeum jubatum/Elymus repens*

Nine areas containing state-listed Priority 2B noxious weeds were mapped at the JTX – Tunnicliff mitigation site in 2021. All noxious weed infestations were located in the upland buffer areas and none were located within the wetland cells (Figure A-3, Appendix A). Four instances of Russian knapweed (*Acroptilon repens*) were recorded at trace and low cover classes, as well as two trace and low occurrences of houndstongue (*Cynoglossum officinale*), two trace occurrences of Canada thistle (*Cirsium arvense*), and one low occurrence of field bindweed (*Convolvulus arvensis*), as shown on Figure A-3. Noxious weed cover was estimated at 3% across the site. The increase in noxious weed cover is likely a result of isolated occurrences expanding and becoming detectable in a drought year. Due to stage 2 fire restrictions on state land in 2021, noxious weeds were not sprayed. Historically, the weed control program at the JTX Tunnicliff site has been effective in reducing weed infestations and should continue in subsequent years to prevent a further increase.

Table 2. Montana Wetland Assessment Method Summary for the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch Site

Function and Value Parameters 2008 MDT Montana Wetland Assessment Method	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**
Listed/Proposed T&E Species Habitat	Low (0.0)	Low (0.0)	Low (0.0)	Low (0.0)	Low (0.0)
MTNHP Species Habitat	Low (0.1)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)
General Wildlife Habitat	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)
General Fish/Aquatic Habitat	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Flood Attenuation	Mod (0.5)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)
Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage	Mod (0.6)	High (0.9)	High (0.9)	High (0.9)	High (0.9)
Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	High (1)
Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	N/A	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	Mod (0.6)	N/A
Production Export/Food Chain Support	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.5)	Mod (0.5)	Mod (0.5)	Mod (0.5)
Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)	Mod (0.7)
Uniqueness	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.4)	Mod (0.4)
Recreation/Education Potential	High (0.2)	High (0.2)	High (0.2)	High (0.2)	High (0.2)
Actual Points/Possible Points	**4.0/9**	**5.9/10**	**5.9/10**	**5.9/10**	**5.5/9**
% of Possible Score Achieved	**44%**	**59%**	**59%**	**59%**	**61.11%**
Overall Category	**III**	**III**	**III**	**III**	**III**
Total Acreage of Assessed Wetlands within Site Boundaries (ac)	**3.86**	**8.31**	**8.38**	**8.62**	**8.18**
Functional Units (acreage x actual points)	**15.3**	**49.10**	**49.40**	**50.86**	**44.99**

Three very small wetlands were identified within the monitoring area before site development but were not assigned a community type because of their small size (total 0.03 acre). Wetland species associated with these small wetland pockets include creeping meadow foxtail (*Alopecurus arundinaceus*), Baltic rush (*Juncus balticus*), and sedges (*Carex* spp.).

Vegetation cover was measured along two transects (T-1 and T-2) in 2021 (Figure A-2, Appendix A). Table 3 summarizes the data collected along T-1, which is 792 feet long and intersects upland vegetation

community Type 8 – *Elymus hispidus* and wetland community Type 9 – *Schoenoplectus* spp./*Typha latifolia*. Fifty-seven percent of the transect crossed wetland habitat, which is a 1 percent decrease since 2020. Total vegetative cover remained consistent at 95 percent from 2020 to 2021 (Table 3). Photographs of the transect end points are provided in Appendix C.

Table 3. Data Summary for T-1 From 2016 Through 2021 at the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch Site

Monitoring Year	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**
Transect Length (feet)	**792**	**792**	**792**	**792**	**792**	**792**
Vegetation Community Transitions Along Transect	1	6	6	5	5	6
Vegetation Communities Along Transect	2	2	2	2	2	2
Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities Along Transect	0	1	1	1	1	1
Total Vegetative Species	10	21	21	21	26	21
Total Hydrophytic Species	2	8	9	9	8	9
Total Upland Species	8	13	12	12	18	12
Estimated % Total Vegetative Cover	75	60	75	95	95	95
Estimated % Unvegetated	25	40	25	5	5	5
% Transect Length Comprising Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities	0	47	53	56	58	57
% Transect Length Comprising Upland Vegetation Communities	100	53	47	44	42	43
% Transect Length Comprising Open Water Transitional Wetland	0	0	0	0	0	0

Data collected on T-2 (Wetland Mitigation Site Monitoring form, Appendix B) are summarized in Table 4. T-2 is 900 feet long and intersects upland community Type 8 and wetland community types 9 and 13. Fifty-four percent of the transect crossed wetland habitat in 2021, which is a 14% decrease since 2020. The transect no longer contains open water, and transitional wetland habitat was classified as community type 13 (*Hordeum jubatum/Elymus repens*) for the first time this year. Total vegetative cover remained consistent at 85 percent from 2020 to 2021.

Table 4. Data Summary for T-2 From 2016 Through 2021 at the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch Site

Monitoring Year	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**
Transect Length (feet)	**900**	**900**	**900**	**900**	**900**	**900**
Vegetation Community Transitions Along Transect	1	6	5	5	5	7
Vegetation Communities Along Transect	2	3	3	3	3	3
Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities Along Transect	0	1	2	2	2	2
Total Vegetative Species	12	11	11	11	21	20
Total Hydrophytic Species	0	5	6	6	10	11
Total Upland Species	12	6	5	5	11	9
Estimated % Total Vegetative Cover	60	60	65	85	85	85
Estimated % Unvegetated	40	40	35	15	15	15
% Transect Length Comprising Hydrophytic Vegetation Communities	0	12	14	14	68	54
% Transect Length Comprising Upland Vegetation Communities	100	88	33	33	32	46
% Transect Length Comprising Open Water Transitional Wetland	0	0	53	53	0	0

Eight woody plant enclosures (PE-1 through PE-8) were monitored for woody plant survival in 2021 by walking and recording live woody stems (Figure A-3 Appendix A). A total of 1,650 containerized woody plants were installed in the eight plant enclosures in 2016. Woody species planted at the site include silver buffalo-berry (*Sheperdia argentea*), Douglas hawthorne (*Crataegus douglasii*), silverberry (*Elaeaganus commutata*), common chokecherry (*Prunus virginiana*), plains cottonwood (*Populus*

deltoids), box elder (*Acer negundo*), and bur oak (*Quercus macrocarpa*). The overall survival of woody vegetation at the site is estimated at 1%, with a total of 13 live planted observed, all contained within PE-6. In July 2020, a lightening sparked grassfire burned approximately 4.5 acres, including approximately half of PE-01 and three quarters of PE-03 (Figure A-3, Appendix A). Any live woody vegetation remaining within PE-01 and PE-03 were destroyed. Within PE-06, PE-07, and PE-08, volunteer Russian Olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia)* were observed. Wildlife fencing around each enclosure was effective in keeping wildlife away from plantings, as no signs of browse were noted. Despite the weed fabric that was installed around each woody plant, grasses and forbs were outcompeting most of the plantings.

Hydrology – Groundwater is expected to be the primary hydrologic source for wetland development, with precipitation supplementing site hydrology. Groundwater monitoring completed by the US Geological Survey (USGS) in 2021 shows groundwater levels were 4 to 6 feet below the ground surface elevation of 2,835.4 feet in well # 455029107355601 from April through August. This well is located in an upland area, and the ground surface elevation is approximately 3.4 feet above the wetland cell deign elevation of 2832.0 feet (Table 5; USGS 2021).

Table 5. 2021 USGS Groundwater Well Data for the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch Site

2021 discrete water-level measurements			
Date	Mountain Time	Depth to water level, feet below land surface	Approximate depth to groundwater below wetland cell design elevation
4/12/2021	5:47 pm	4.87	1.47
5/19/2021	4:21 pm	4.65	1.25
6/16/2021	3:25 pm	5.3	1.9
7/23/2021	7:51 pm	6.1	2.7
8/13/2021	5:18 pm	6.23	2.83

No surface water was observed at the site in 2021. Hydrologic indicators encountered within excavated wetland cells across the site included water-stained leaves, geomorphic position, a positive FAC-neutral test, salt crust, near surface soil saturation, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, and a high water table.

Soils – Paired sampling plots were excavated at 10 locations (Figure A-2 – Appendix A), wetland soil pits were located inside the excavated depressions and upland soil pits were located upslope and just outside of the wetland boundaries. Soil textures within the wetland soil pits ranged from sandy clay to clay. The depleted matrix (F3) hydric soil indicator was observed within every wetland soil pit. Soil textures within upland soil pits ranged from sandy loam to clay. No hydric soil indicators were observed in any of the upland soil pits. Additional field observations for the 20 sample plots are provided in the wetland determination data forms in Appendix B.

Photographs – Photographs were taken at photo points 1–4 (PP1 to PP4), transect endpoints, and data points and are provided in Appendix C, with comparisons between 2021 and the first year of monitoring. Please refer to previous years' monitoring reports for all previous annual photographs (https://www.mdt.mt.gov/publications/brochures/wetland_mitigation.shtml).

Credit Summary – As of June 2021, the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch site had developed 10.87 mitigation credit acres (Table 6). The site is currently receiving 8.18 acres for wetland development, which is a 0.44

credit-acre decrease from 2020 primarily due to extreme drought conditions in the region since the last monitoring event. Wetlands credits are expected to increase across the site when normal climatic conditions return to the region. The original mitigation credit strategy called for the eight woody plant enclosures to be credited at 5:1 if the enclosures were successful in producing scrub/shrub habitat across the site. With less than 1 percent of the woody plants surviving in 2021, the woody planting credit metric is not being met and no credits have been achieved for these areas. Additional credits from the site include 0.03 acre for preservation of existing wetlands on the site before construction and 2.66 acres of upland buffer credit. Table 6 summarizes the current estimated wetland credits based on the USACE-approved credit ratios [USACE 2005] and the wetland delineation that was completed in June 2021.

Table 6. Wetland Mitigation Credits Estimated for the JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch Site (2016–2020)

Compensatory Mitigation Type	Mitigation Area Description	Wetland Type[(a)]	Anticipated Mitigation Surface Area (acres)	USACE-Approved Mitigation Ratios	Anticipated Mitigation Credit (acres)	2016 Mitigation Credit (acres)	2017 Mitigation Credit (acres)	2018 Mitigation Credit (acres)	2019 Mitigation Credit (acres)	2020 Mitigation Credit (acres)	2021 Mitigation Credit (acres)
Creation (Establishment)	Depressional wetlands	Palustrine emergent and palustrine scrub/shrub	26.85	1:1	26.85	0	3.86	8.31	8.35	8.62	8.18
Creation (Reestablishment)	Woody plant enclosures	Palustrine scrub/shrub	2.73	5:1	0.55	0.5	0.47	0	0	0	0
Preservation	Pre-project Wetlands	Palustrine Emergent	0.03	1:1	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Upland Buffer	100-foot wide upland perimeter	N/A	10.98	5:1	2.2	0	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66
		Totals	**40.6**		**29.63**	**0.5**	**7.02**	**11.00**	**11.04**	**11.31**	**10.87**

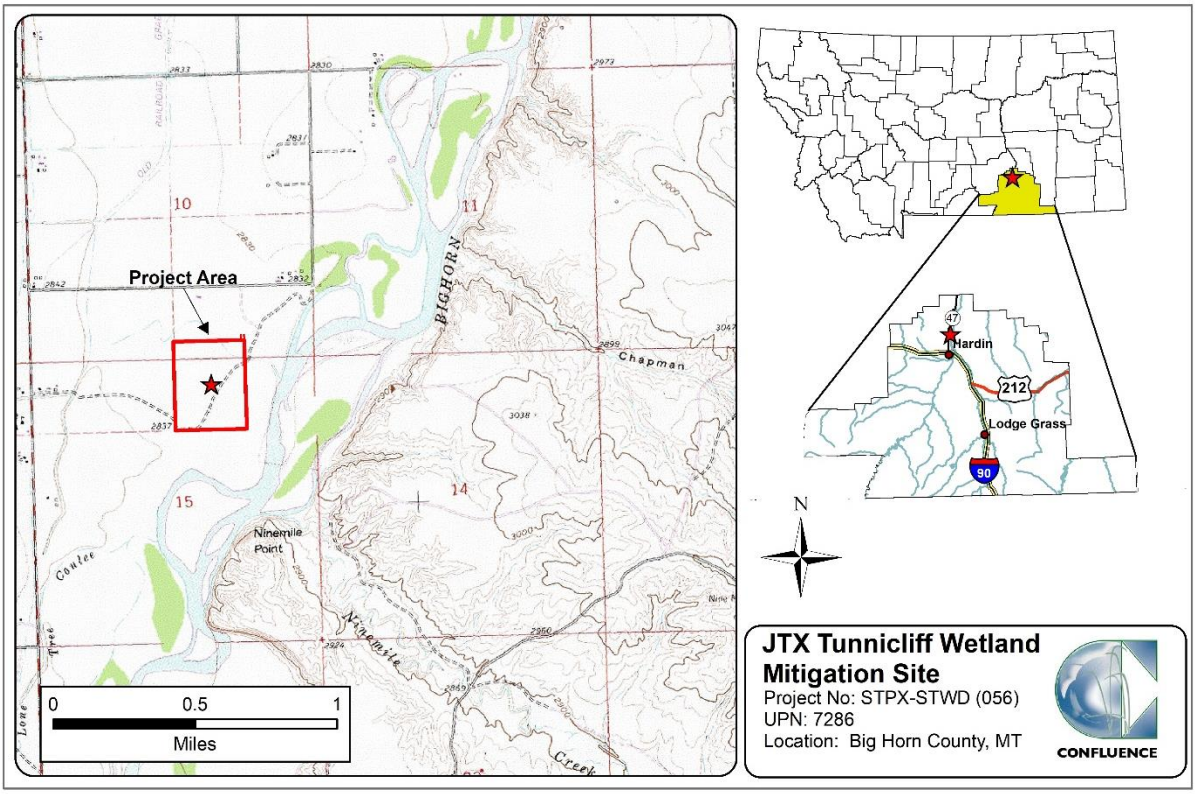
Wildlife – Eight bird species were identified at the site in 2021. Five of the eight species were reported at the site for the first time in 2021. Seven of the eight bird boxes installed at the site are functional and were full of nesting material. One birdbox, located on the west fence line, was absent from the site.

Conclusions

In the sixth year of monitoring, the JTX-Tunnicliff mitigation site met all but two of the established performance standards. The wetland areas are becoming well developed, even in the presence of drought conditions. The site appears to be stable and resilient, even following the disturbance of a small wildfire in 2020. In 2021, the standard that requires hydrophytic vegetation to cover at least ≥70 percent of monitored wetland areas was not met in cells 1, 2, and 3, though vegetation continues to establish and total cover is slowly increasing. Cover from hydrophytic vegetation is expected to continue to increase as the trend has been positive over the last few years. No remedial actions are recommended to increase hydrophytic vegetation. However, the standard which requires that woody plant survival exceeds 50 percent after 5 years was not met. Woody plant survival is not likely to meet this performance standard in the absence of adaptive management. Finally, noxious weed cover increased 1% between 2020 and 2021 with 7 new infestations. The total cover is less than 5% across the site and continues to meet performance standards. As spraying has historically been successful at reducing infestations at the site, it is recommended that MDT continues noxious weed management in subsequent years.

Maps, Plans, Photos

Figure 1. Site Location Map



Project Area Maps/Figures: See Appendix A (Monitoring Activity Locations; Mapped Site Features; and Wetland Delineation)

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

Photos: See Appendix C (Photo Points, Paired Sampling Point Photos, and Transect Photos)

Plans: See Appendix D of 2016 Monitoring Report
https://www.mdt.mt.gov/other/webdata/external/planning/wetlands/2016_REPORTS/JTX_Tunnicliff.PDF

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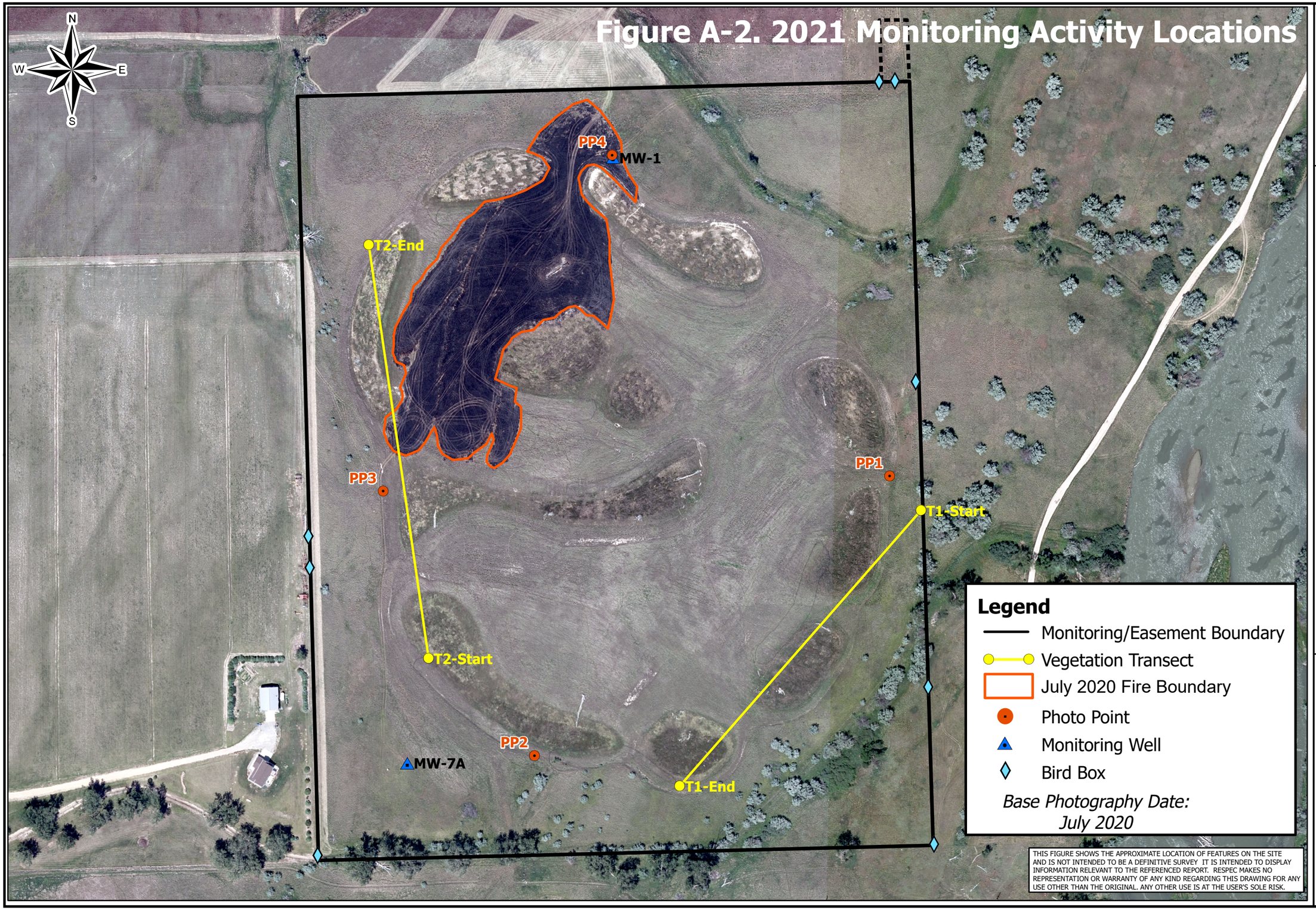
APPENDIX A
PROJECT AREA MAPS

MDT Wetland Mitigation Monitoring
JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch
Big Horn County, Montana

Figure A-2. 2021 Monitoring Activity Locations



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JTX Tunnicliff Wetland Mitigation Site
2021 Monitoring Activity Locations

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Project:	STPX-STWD (056)
Location:	Big Horn Co., Montana
Date:	November 2021
Project Manager:	R McEldowney
Drawn By:	RJ

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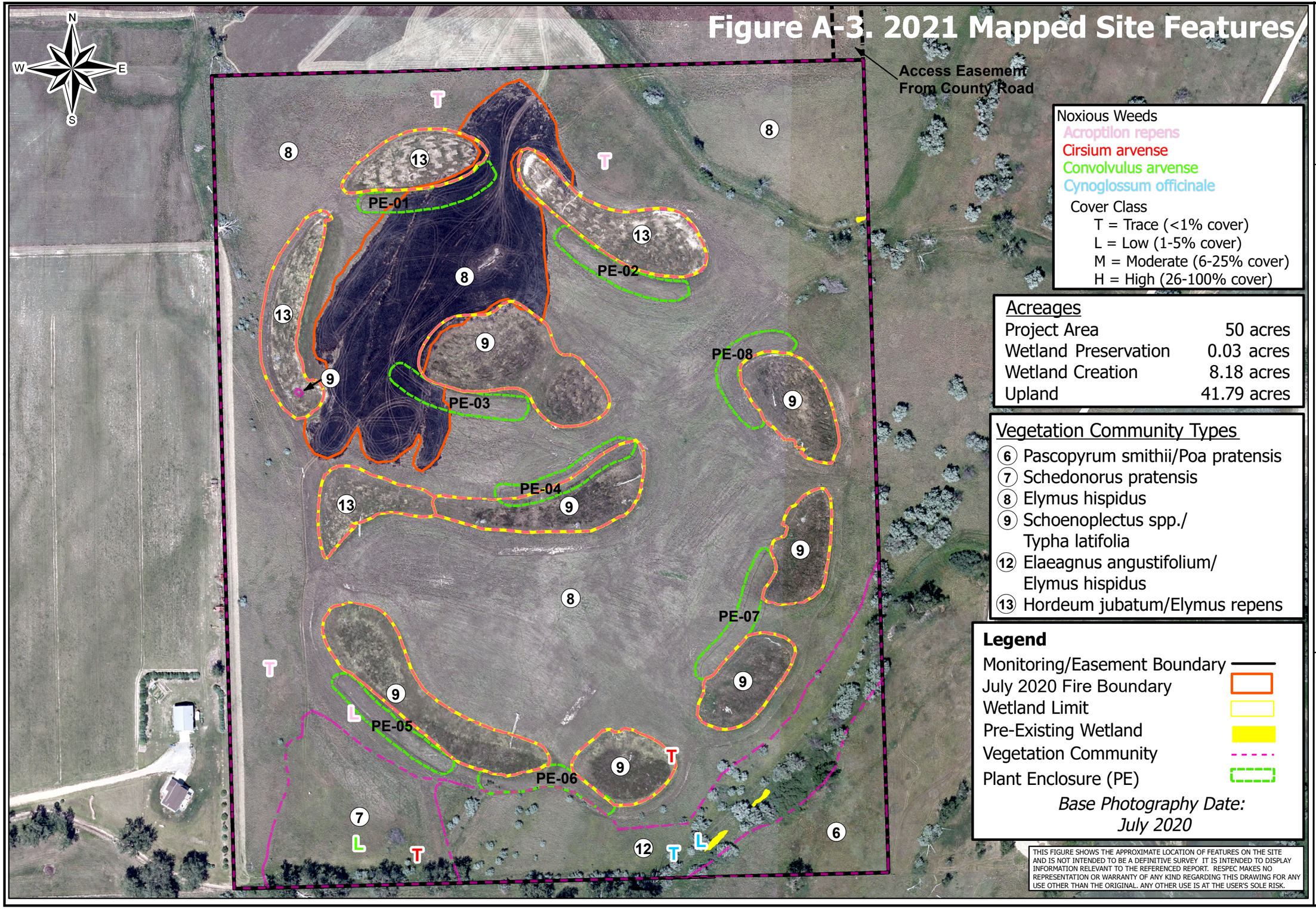
Figure A-3. 2021 Mapped Site Features



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Noxious Weeds
- Acroptilon repens
- Cirsium arvense
- Convolvulus arvense
- Cynoglossum officinale

Cover Class
- T = Trace (<1% cover)
- L = Low (1-5% cover)
- M = Moderate (6-25% cover)
- H = High (26-100% cover)

Acreages	
Project Area	50 acres
Wetland Preservation	0.03 acres
Wetland Creation	8.18 acres
Upland	41.79 acres

Vegetation Community Types
- 6 Pascopyrum smithii/Poa pratensis
- 7 Schedonorus pratensis
- 8 Elymus hispidus
- 9 Schoenoplectus spp./ Typha latifolia
- 12 Elaeagnus angustifolium/ Elymus hispidus
- 13 Hordeum jubatum/Elymus repens

Legend
- Monitoring/Easement Boundary
- July 2020 Fire Boundary
- Wetland Limit
- Pre-Existing Wetland
- Vegetation Community
- Plant Enclosure (PE)

Base Photography Date: July 2020

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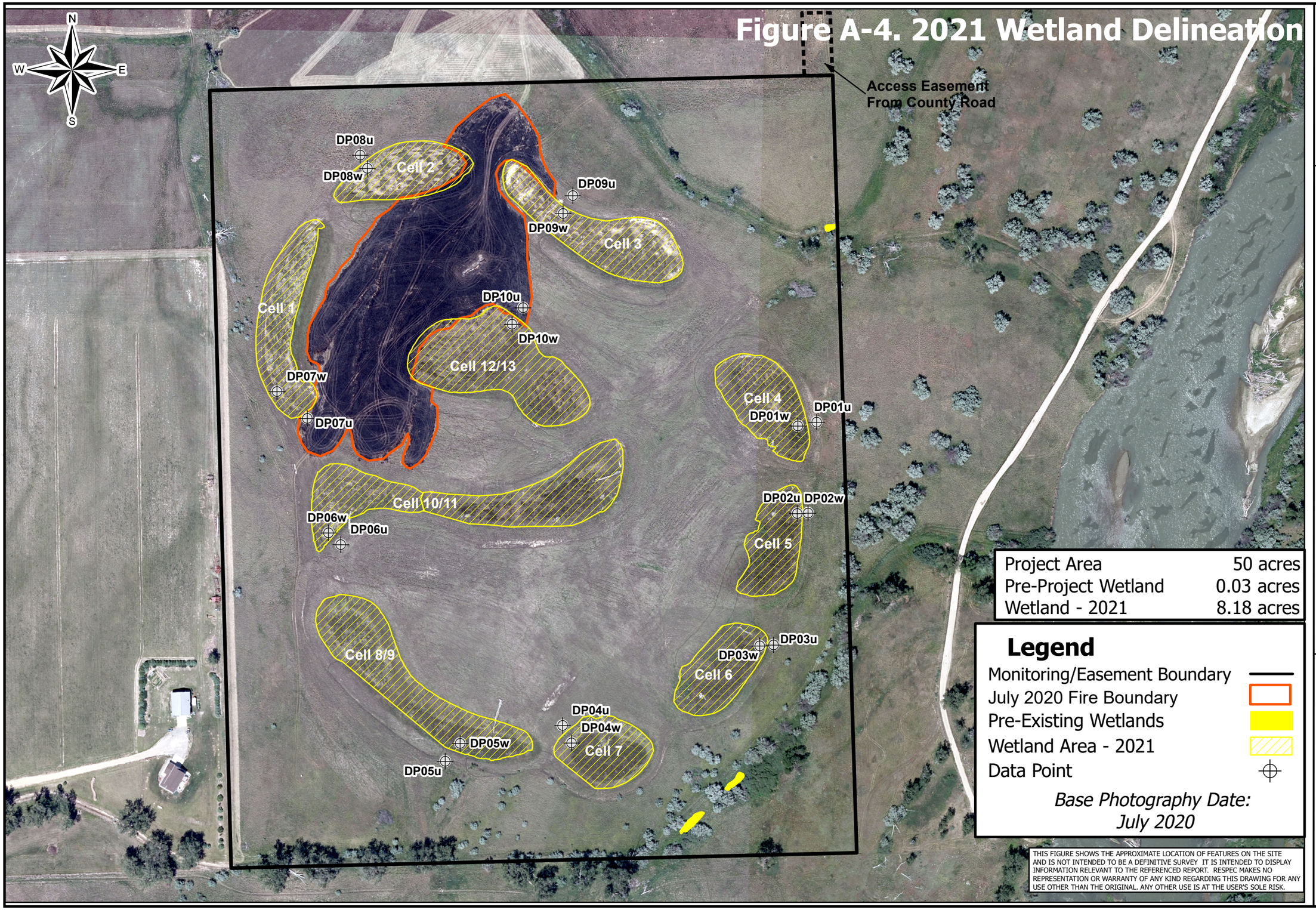
Figure A-4. 2021 Wetland Delineation



Project Area	50 acres
Pre-Project Wetland	0.03 acres
Wetland - 2021	8.18 acres

Legend

- Monitoring/Easement Boundary
- July 2020 Fire Boundary
- Pre-Existing Wetlands
- Wetland Area - 2021
- Data Point

Base Photography Date: July 2020

CONFLUENCE
consulting incorporated

JTX Tunnicliff Wetland Mitigation Site
2021 Wetland Delineation

0 80 160 320 480 640 800 Feet

Project: STPX-STWD (056)
Location: Big Horn Co., Montana
Date: November 2021
Project Manager: R McEldowney
Drawn By: RJ

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APPENDIX B
MONITORING FORMS

MDT Wetland Mitigation Monitoring
JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch
Big Horn County, Montana

MDT WETLAND MITIGATION SITE MONITORING FORM

Project Site: JTX-Tunnicliff Assessment Date/Time 6/18/2021

Person(s) conducting the assessment: R Jones, J Trilling

Weather: Sunny, light wind, 95 degrees Location: Hardin

MDT District: Billings Milepost:

Legal Description: T 1N R 33E Section(s) 15

Initial Evaluation Date: 6/15/2016 Monitoring Year: 6 #Visits in Year: 1

Size of Evaluation Area: 50 (acres)

Land use surrounding wetland:

Rural agriculture, sparsely developed residential areas, Grant Marsh Wildlife Management Area, and Big Horn River Floodplain.

HYDROLOGY

Surface Water Source: Groundwater

Inundation: ☐ Average Depth: 0 **(ft)** Range of Depths: 0 **(ft)**

Percent of assessment area under inundation: 0 %

Depth at emergent vegetation-open water boundary: 0 **(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:

No standing water observed in 2021. These are the lowest water levels observed at the site in recent years.

Groundwater Monitoring Wells

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

Well ID	Water Surface Depth (ft)
MW-1	5.32
MW-7A	7.64

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:

Well readings listed above are from USGS readings on 7/05/2021 (MW-1) and 7/23/2021 (MW-7A). Both depths are Below Land Surface (BLS).

VEGETATION COMMUNITIES

Site JTX-Tunnicliff

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

Community # 6 **Community Type:** Pascopyrum smithii / Poa pratensis **Acres:** 1.44

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Acroptilon repens	0	Bromus inermis	3
Bromus japonicus	1	Elymus hispidus	1
Galium aparine	1	Lepidium perfoliatum	0
Lepidium perfoliatum	0	Pascopyrum smithii	4
Poa pratensis	4	Sisymbrium altissimum	0

Comments:

Grass dominated upland plant community observed in the SE corner of the site.

Community # 7 **Community Type:** Schedonorus pratensis / **Acres:** 2.19

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Acroptilon repens	0	Arctium lappa	0
Bromus inermis	1	Bromus japonicus	1
Cirsium arvense	0	Convolvulus arvensis	0
Cynoglossum officinale	0	Dactylis glomerata	1
Elaeagnus angustifolia	0	Elymus hispidus	1
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	0	Iva axillaris	0
Medicago sativa	0	Poa pratensis	1
Ribes aureum	0	Rosa woodsii	0
Schedonorus pratensis	5	Sisymbrium altissimum	0
Tragopogon dubius	0		

Comments:

Grass dominated upland plant community observed in the SW portion of the site. Many species recorded with a cover value of less than 1 percent are not included in this list, but appear in the comprehensive species list for the site.

Community # 8 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus / **Acres:** 34.88

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Acroptilon repens	0	Asclepias speciosa	0
Bare Ground	0	Bassia scoparia	0
Bromus arvensis	0	Bromus inermis	1
Bromus japonicus	1	Bromus tectorum	1
Chenopodium album	1	Convolvulus arvensis	1
Elaeagnus angustifolia	0	Elymus hispidus	5
Elymus repens	1	Equisetum arvense	0
Galium aparine	1	Glycyrrhiza lepidota	1
Grindelia squarrosa	0	Hordeum jubatum	0
Iva axillaris	1	Lepidium perfoliatum	1
Medicago sativa	0	Melilotus officinalis	0
Poa pratensis	1	Schedonorus pratensis	1
Sisymbrium altissimum	0	Sporobolus airoides	0
Taraxacum officinale	1	Thinopyrum ponticum	2
Xanthium strumarium	0		

Comments:

Upland plant community observed throughout the majority of the mitigation site. Overgrown with high Elymus hispidus litter component.

Community # 9 **Community Type:** Schoenoplectus spp. / Typha latifolia **Acres:** 5.48

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Bare Ground	1
Beckmannia syzigachne	0	Bromus arvensis	0
Chenopodium album	0	Chenopodium rubrum	0
Cirsium arvense	0	Distichlis spicata	1
Elaeagnus angustifolia	0	Eleocharis palustris	0
Elymus hispidus	0	Elymus repens	1
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	0	Hordeum jubatum	1
Juncus balticus	1	Juncus torreyi	0
Open Water	2	Puccinellia nuttalliana	0
Rumex crispus	0	Schoenoplectus acutus	1
Schoenoplectus americanus	0	Schoenoplectus maritimus	2
Schoenoplectus pungens	1	Typha angustifolia	3
Typha latifolia	4	Xanthium strumarium	0

Comments:

CT-9 is a PEM wetland community. Drought in 2021 appears to have decreased abundance of Typha latifolia and Schoenoplectus spp.

Community # 12 **Community Type:** Elaeagnus angustifolia / Elymus hispidus **Acres:** 3.46

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Acroptilon repens	0	Alopecurus arundinaceus	2
Bromus inermis	2	Carex sp.	1
Cynoglossum officinale	1	Echinocystis lobata	1
Elaeagnus angustifolia	3	Elymus hispidus	4
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	1	Salix fragilis	0
Shepherdia argentea	2	Symphoricarpos albus	1
Thinopyrum ponticum	1		

Comments:

Upland plant community located in the southern portion of project area; species and cover consistent with 2020 observations.

Community # 13 **Community Type:** Hordeum jubatum / Elymus repens **Acres:** 2.7

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Bare Ground	3
Chenopodium album	1	Chenopodium rubrum	0
Distichlis spicata	1	Elaeagnus angustifolia	0
Elymus hispidus	0	Elymus repens	3
Hordeum jubatum	3	Juncus torreyi	0
Puccinellia nuttalliana	2	Schoenoplectus acutus	1
Schoenoplectus maritimus	1	Schoenoplectus pungens	0
Typha angustifolia	1	Typha latifolia	1

Comments:

Community noted as "transitional wetland" in 2020. The trasition away from upland vegetation and toward more hydrophytic vegetation continued in 2021 and thus the community was given a name and number. During the 2021 site visit, no open water was observed, and higher cover provided by Elymus repens was observed. Despite the high amounts of Elymus repens, the community is considered a PEM wetland.

Total Vegetation Community Acreage **50.0**

VEGETATION TRANSECTS

Site: JTX-Tunnicliff **Date:** 6/18/2021

Transect Number: 1 **Compass Direction from Start:** 200

Interval Data:

Ending Station 156 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus inermis	1
Elymus hispidus	5	Equisetum arvense	0
Melilotus officinalis	0	Poa pratensis	1
Schedonorus pratensis	2	Taraxacum officinale	2
Thinopyrum ponticum	1		

Ending Station 237 **Community Type:** Schoenoplectus spp. / Typha latifolia

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	4	Bare Ground	2
Hordeum jubatum	1	Juncus balticus	1
Juncus torreyi	1	Schoenoplectus acutus	1
Typha angustifolia	1	Typha latifolia	2

Ending Station 325 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Elymus hispidus	5	Poa pratensis	0
Schedonorus pratensis	1	Thinopyrum ponticum	2

Ending Station 549 **Community Type:** Schoenoplectus spp. / Typha latifolia

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	2	Bare Ground	2
Chenopodium rubrum	1	Elymus hispidus	0
Elymus repens	1	Hordeum jubatum	1
Juncus torreyi	1	Schoenoplectus acutus	2
Schoenoplectus maritimus	2	Typha angustifolia	1
Typha latifolia	3	Xanthium strumarium	0

Ending Station 638 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus inermis	0
Elaeagnus angustifolia	0	Elymus hispidus	4
Elymus repens	0	Equisetum arvense	0
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	0	Hordeum jubatum	0
Poa pratensis	0	Taraxacum officinale	0
Thinopyrum ponticum	4	Xanthium strumarium	0

Ending Station 782 **Community Type:** Schoenoplectus spp. / Typha latifolia

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	1	Bare Ground	2
Chenopodium album	3	Elaeagnus angustifolia	0
Elymus repens	2	Glycyrrhiza lepidota	0
Hordeum jubatum	0	Juncus balticus	1
Schoenoplectus acutus	3	Schoenoplectus maritimus	1
Typha angustifolia	1	Typha latifolia	1

Ending Station 792 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	2	Elymus hispidus	4
Elymus repens	0	Schedonorus pratensis	1

Transect Notes:

Total vegetation cover remained consistent at 95% cover from 2019 to 2021. A transect interval was added in 2021 where the wetland boundary has receded.

Transect Number: 2 **Compass Direction from Start:** 330

Interval Data:

Ending Station 127 **Community Type:** Schoenoplectus spp. / Typha latifolia

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	2	Bare Ground	2
Bromus arvensis	1	Chenopodium album	2
Chenopodium rubrum	3	Eleocharis palustris	0
Elymus repens	2	Hordeum jubatum	3
Puccinellia nuttalliana	0	Schoenoplectus acutus	1
Schoenoplectus maritimus	2	Typha angustifolia	1
Typha latifolia	0		

Ending Station 266 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus arvensis	2
Chenopodium album	0	Elymus hispidus	5
Hordeum jubatum	1	Sisymbrium altissimum	0
Thinopyrum ponticum	2		

Ending Station 391 **Community Type:** Hordeum jubatum / Elymus repens

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Alopecurus arundinaceus	2	Bare Ground	3
Distichlis spicata	0	Elymus hispidus	2
Elymus repens	2	Hordeum jubatum	3
Juncus torreyi	0	Puccinellia nuttalliana	1
Schoenoplectus acutus	1	Schoenoplectus pungens	0

Ending Station 535 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	2	Chenopodium album	1
Elymus hispidus	5	Elymus repens	1
Lepidium perfoliatum	2	Thinopyrum ponticum	2

Ending Station 624 **Community Type:** Hordeum jubatum / Elymus repens

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare ground	5	Distichlis spicata	3
Elymus hispidus	2	Elymus repens	4
Hordeum jubatum	0	Puccinellia nuttalliana	0
Schoenoplectus maritimus	1		

Ending Station 728 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	2	Bassia scoparia	1
Chenopodium album	1	Elymus hispidus	5
Elymus repens	2		

Ending Station 875 **Community Type:** Hordeum jubatum / Elymus repens

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Chenopodium album	1
Chenopodium rubrum	1	Distichlis spicata	0
Elymus hispidus	1	Elymus repens	2
Hordeum jubatum	3	Puccinellia nuttalliana	2
Schoenoplectus maritimus	3	Schoenoplectus pungens	1
Typha angustifolia	1	Typha latifolia	1

Ending Station 900 **Community Type:** Elymus hispidus /

Species	Cover class	Species	Cover class
Bare Ground	1	Bromus japonicus	1
Chenopodium album	0	Elymus hispidus	5
Lepidium perfoliatum	0	Sisymbrium altissimum	0
Thinopyrum ponticum	2		

Transect Notes:

The transect no longer contains open water. The community type previously described as "transitional wetland" has been re-named (CT 13) as it is now dominated by hydrophytic plant species.

PLANTED WOODY VEGETATION SURVIVAL

JTX-Tunnicliff

Planting Type	#Planted	#Alive	Notes
PE-1	0	0	3/4 burned in July 2020. No survival of planted woody vegetation observed
PE-2	0	0	Heavy grass and weedy forb competition has elminated woody vegetation
PE-3	0	0	1/3 burned in 2020, no survival of planted woody vegetation observed
PE-4	0	0	No survival of planted woody vegetation observed
PE-5	0	0	No survival of planted woody vegetation observed
PE-6	13	13	13 quaking aspen, volunteer Russian Olive
PE-7	0	0	1 volunteer Russian Olive
PE-8	0	0	No survival of planted woody vegetation observed, 15 volunteer Russian Olive
Total Live	13	13	1% Survival (of original 1650 planted)

Comments

1,650 containerized woody plants were installed in 8 planting areas. All plantings were in 1 gallon containers except for cottonwood which were in 5 gallon containers. Very little survivorship of woody species plantings was observed. Volunteer Russian olives establishment was observed across the site, including several in PE-6. The fencing at PE-1 and PE-3 was damaged by a wildfire that occured in July 2020 and needs repair. Fencing repairs (sagging and holes) are also needed on the southwest and north east sides of PE-5, and the south end of PE-6.

JTX-Tunnicliff

WILDLIFE

Birds

Were man-made nesting structures installed? Yes

If yes, type of structure: Bird boxes

How many? 8

Are the nesting structures being used? Yes

Do the nesting structures need repairs? Yes

Nesting Structure Comments:

Seven of the 8 nesting boxes on site were full of nesting material. One box on the west fence line was absent from the site in monitoring years 2020-2021.

Species	#Observed	Behavior	Habitat
American White Pelican	13	FO	
Bald Eagle	1	FO	
Common Nighthawk	1	FO	
Cordilleran Flycatcher	1	FO	
Great Blue Heron	2	FO	
Osprey	2	FO	
Red-winged Blackbird	3	FO, L	
Western Meadowlark	2	FO	

Bird Comments

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

Wildlife Comments:
Five new bird species recorded at the site for the first time in 2021.

JTX-Tunnicliff

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	45.839775	-107.59657		
DP01w	45.839755	-107.596727		
DP02u	45.839249	-107.59666		
DP02w	45.839246	-107.59675		
DP03u	45.838485	-107.596973		
DP03w	45.838481	-107.597089		
DP04u	45.838048	-107.598745		
DP04w	45.837946	-107.598673		
DP05u	45.837856	-107.599729		
DP05w	45.837957	-107.599601		
DP06u	45.839131	-107.600554		
DP06w	45.8392	-107.600655		
DP07u	45.839867	-107.600808		
DP07w	45.840591	-107.600013		
DP08u	45.841391	-107.600313		
DP08w	45.841314	-107.600256		
DP09u	45.841125	-107.598553		
DP09w	45.841023	-107.598637		
DP10u	45.840482	-107.598989		
DP10w	45.840387	-107.599085		
PP 1, Photo 2:	45.83945617	-107.5966157	270	PP-1
PP 1, Photo 3:	45.83945617	-107.5966157	220	PP-1
PP 2, Photo 1:	45.83785325	-107.5996803	315	PP-2
PP 2, Photo 2:	45.83785325	-107.5996803	0	PP-2
PP 2, Photo 3:	45.83785325	-107.5996803	45	PP-2
PP 3, Photo 1:	45.83943906	-107.6009084	140	PP-3
PP 3, Photo 2:	45.83943906	-107.6009084	100	PP-3

PP 3, Photo 3:	45.83943906	-107.6009084	45	PP-3
PP 4, Photo 1:	45.84139478	-107.5988983	105	PP-4
PP 4, Photo 2	45.84139478	-107.5988983	160	PP-4
PP 4, Photo 3	45.84139478	-107.5988983	240	PP-4
PP1, Photo 1:	45.83945617	-107.5966157	320	PP-1
Transect 1 end:	45.83765226	-107.5984577	50	T-1 end
Transect 1 start:	45.8392488	-107.5963573	200	T-1 start
Transect 2 end:	45.84089981	-107.6009804	160	T-2 end
Transect 2 start:	45.83844422	-107.6005579	330	T-2 start

Comments:

JTX-Tunnicliff

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

Wetland boundaries for the excavated wetland cells correlate with the vegetation community boundaries.

Functional Assessments

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

Functional Assessment Comments:

Category III wetland.

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? No

If yes, are the structures in need of repair?

If yes, describe the problems below.

See planted veg and bird box comments for repairs needed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP01u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 3

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839775 Long: -107.59657 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Ku: Kyle silty clay, 4-8% 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside Cell 4.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Elaeagnus angustifolia	10	☑	FACU

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Alyssum alyssoides	1	☐	NL
Atriplex sp	1	☐	
Bromus japonicus	10	☑	NL
Convolvulus arvensis	5	☐	NL
Elymus hispidus	10	☑	NL
Pascopyrum smithii	20	☑	FACU

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 53

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 4 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	30	X 4	120
UPL species	27	X 5	135
Column Totals	57 (A)		255 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.47

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=53%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP01u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-13	10YR 4/2	100					Clay	**Salt deposits**

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP01w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839755 Long: -107.596727 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Ku: Kyle silty clay, 4-8% 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 4.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus repens	20	☑	FACU
Juncus balticus	25	☑	FACW
Schoenoplectus pungens	5	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	40	☑	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 10

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7 % (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:			Multiply by:
OBL species	45	X 1	45
FACW species	25	X 2	50
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	20	X 4	80
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	90 (A)		175 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.94

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=10%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP01w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-9	5YR 4/1	93	5YR 4/6	7	C	M	Silty Clay	
12+							Gravels	**Gravel bottom**
9-12	10YR 5/2	98	5YR 4/6	2	CS	M	Sand	**Gravelly.**

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☑ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☑ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Soils moist. Evidence of wetland hydrology includes water stained leaves, a positive FAC-Neutral test, and geomorphic position.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP02u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 10

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839249 Long: -107.59666 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 5.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Convolvulus arvensis	2	☐	NL
Elymus hispidus	75	☑	NL
Equisetum laevigatum	5	☐	FAC
Pascopyrum smithii	2	☐	FACU

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 16

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	5	X 3	15
FACU species	2	X 4	8
UPL species	77	X 5	385
Column Totals	84 (A)		408 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.86

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=16%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP02u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-6	10YR 4/2	100					Clay	
6-16	10YR 4/3	100					Sandy Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP02w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839246 Long: -107.59675 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 5.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Alopecurus arundinaceus	10	☐	FACW
Chenopodium album	10	☐	FACU
Elymus repens	3	☐	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	10	☐	FACW
Schoenoplectus pungens	2	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	40	☑	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 25

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	42	X 1	42
FACW species	20	X 2	40
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	13	X 4	52
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	75 (A)		134 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.79

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=25%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP02w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-16	10YR 4/2	85	10YR 4/4	15	C	M	Sandy Clay Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 throughout the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☑ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 3

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes soils saturated within 3 inches of the soil surface, salt crust, geomorphic position, and a positive FAC-Neutral test.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP03u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 18

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.838485 Long: -107.596973 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 6.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Convolvulus arvensis	1	☐	NL
Elymus hispidus	75	☑	NL
Elymus repens	1	☐	FACU
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	2	☐	FACU
Pascopyrum smithii	5	☐	FACU

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 16

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	8	X 4	32
UPL species	76	X 5	380
Column Totals	84 (A)		412 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.90

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=16%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP03u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-06	10YR 3/3	100					Clay	
06-16	10YR 4/3	100					Sandy Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP03w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 1

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.838481 Long: -107.597089 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 6.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Alopecurus arundinaceus	5	☐	FACW
Chenopodium album	40	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	10	☐	FACW
Schoenoplectus pungens	3	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	20	☑	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 22

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	23	X 1	23
FACW species	15	X 2	30
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	40	X 4	160
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	78 (A)		213 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.73

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=22%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP03w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-14	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 4/4	15	C	PL	Clay Loam	
14-16	10YR 5/2	75	7.5YR 3/4	25	C	M	Clay	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 along pore linings and many within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 3

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes soils saturated within 3 inches of the soil surface, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, salt crust, and geomorphic postion.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP04u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 18

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.838048 Long: -107.598745 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 7.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Elaeagnus angustifolia	5	☑	FACU

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus hispidus	95	☑	NL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 5

Dominance Test worksheet

Number of Dominant Species that are OBL, FACW or FAC:	0	(A)
Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	2	(B)
Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	0.0	% (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	5	X 4	20
UPL species	95	X 5	475
Column Totals	100 (A)		495 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.95

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=5%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP04u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-16	10YR 4/3	100					Clay Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP04w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.837946 Long: -107.598673 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 7.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Alopecurus arundinaceus	30	☑	FACW
Chenopodium album	5	☐	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	10	☐	FACW
Juncus balticus	15	☑	FACW
Schoenoplectus pungens	10	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	5	☐	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 25

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	15	X 1	15
FACW species	55	X 2	110
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	5	X 4	20
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	75 (A)		145 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 1.93

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=25%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP04w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-09	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 3/4	15	C	PL	Silty Clay	
09-12	10YR 4/2	97	7.5YR 4/6	3	CS	M	Sand	**Very gravelly.**
12+							Gravel Bottom	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 along pore linings.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☑ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, geomorphic position, and a positive FAC-Neutral test.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP05u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 18

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.837856 Long: -107.599729 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 8/9.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Convolvulus arvensis	1	☐	NL
Elymus hispidus	90	☑	NL
Elymus repens	1	☐	FACU

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 8

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:
OBL species	0 X 1	0
FACW species	0 X 2	0
FAC species	0 X 3	0
FACU species	1 X 4	4
UPL species	91 X 5	455
Column Totals	92 (A)	459 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.99

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=8%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP05u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-15	10YR 3/2	100					Clay	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP05w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 2

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.837957 Long: -107.599601 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 8/9.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Chenopodium album	5	☐	FACU
Chenopodium rubrum	5	☐	OBL
Elymus repens	10	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	40	☑	FACW
Schoenoplectus acutus	3	☐	OBL
Schoenoplectus maritimus	5	☐	OBL
Schoenoplectus pungens	2	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	10	☑	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 20

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7 % (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	25	X 1	25
FACW species	40	X 2	80
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	15	X 4	60
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	80 (A)		165 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.06

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=20%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP05w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-04	10YR 4/2	93	7.5YR 3/4	7	C	M	Silty Clay Loam	
04-11	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 3/4	15	C	M	Sandy Clay Loam	
11-13+	10YR 4/2	93	7.5YR 4/6	7	C	M	Clay	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 throughout the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☑ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 2

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes soils saturated within 2 inches of the soil surface, salt crust, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, geomorphic position, and a positive FAC-Neutral test.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP06u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 18

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839131 Long: -107.600554 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 10/11.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus hispidus	90	☑	NL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 10

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	0	X 4	0
UPL species	90	X 5	450
Column Totals	90 (A)		450 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 5.00

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=10%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP06u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-06	10YR 3/2	100					Clay	
06-15	10YR 4/3	100					Sandy Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
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- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP06w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): hummocky Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.8392 Long: -107.600655 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 10/11.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Alopecurus arundinaceus	20	☑	FACW
Elymus hispidus	10	☐	NL
Elymus repens	20	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	25	☑	FACW
Puccinellia nuttalliana	15	☐	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 10

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7 % (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:			Multiply by:
OBL species	15	X 1	15
FACW species	45	X 2	90
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	20	X 4	80
UPL species	10	X 5	50
Column Totals	90 (A)		235 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.61

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=10%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP06w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-06	10YR 4/2	95	10YR 3/4	5	C	M	Silty Clay	
06-14	10YR 4/2	91	7.5YR 4/6	7	C	PL	Sandy Clay Loam	
06-14	10YR 4/2	91	N 3/0	2	C	M	Sandy Clay Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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: Soils moist. Distinct redoximorphic and gleyed concentrations common within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes salt crust, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, and geomorphic position.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP07u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 9

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.839867 Long: -107.600808 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 1 in burn area.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Bromus japonicus	25	☑	NL
Elymus hispidus	25	☑	NL
Iva axillaris	10	☐	FAC
Pascopyrum smithii	20	☑	FACU
Poa pratensis	15	☐	FACU

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 5

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	0	X 1	0
FACW species	0	X 2	0
FAC species	10	X 3	30
FACU species	35	X 4	140
UPL species	50	X 5	250
Column Totals	95 (A)		420 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.42

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=5%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP07u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-15	10YR 4/2	100					Clay	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/18/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP07w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.840591 Long: -107.600013 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 7.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus repens	20	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	10	☑	FACW
Puccinellia nuttalliana	5	☐	OBL
Schoenoplectus pungens	5	☐	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 60

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	10	X 1	10
FACW species	10	X 2	20
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	20	X 4	80
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	40 (A)		110 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.75

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=60%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP07w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-13	10YR 4/2	85	7.5YR 3/4	15	C	M	Silty Clay	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 0

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes soils saturated to surface, salt crust, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, and geomorphic position.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP08u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 10 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 9

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.841391 Long: -107.600313 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 2.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Bromus japonicus	30	☑	NL
Elymus hispidus	10	☐	NL
Iva axillaris	10	☐	FAC
Lepidium perfoliatum	5	☐	FAC

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 45

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:
OBL species	0 X 1	0
FACW species	0 X 2	0
FAC species	15 X 3	45
FACU species	0 X 4	0
UPL species	40 X 5	200
Column Totals	55 (A)	245 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.45

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=45%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP08u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-15	10YR 4/3	100					Sandy Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP08w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 10 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.841314 Long: -107.600256 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 2.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus hispidus	5	☐	NL
Elymus repens	30	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	20	☑	FACW
Puccinellia nuttalliana	5	☐	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 40

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	5	X 1	5
FACW species	20	X 2	40
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	30	X 4	120
UPL species	5	X 5	25
Column Totals	60 (A)		190 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.17

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☑ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=40%. Although the data point lacked a hydrophytic vegetation indicator, one of the dominant plant species was hydrophytic, hydric soil development was observed, and the data point is supported by wetland hydrology (1987 COE Wetland Delineation Manual).

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP08w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-04	10YR 4/1	85	7.5YR 3/4	15	C	M	Clay Loam	
04-10	10YR 4/1	93	7.5YR 4/6	7	CS	M	Sand	**Very gravelly.**
10-13	10YR 4/1	93	7.5YR 3/4	7	CS	M	Sand	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☑ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

Water Table Present? Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 11

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 0

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes a high water table, soils saturated to surface, salt crust, and geomorphic position.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP09u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 10 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 9

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.841125 Long: -107.598553 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 3.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus hispidus	80	☑	NL
Iva axillaris	1	☐	FAC
Lepidium perfoliatum	2	☐	FAC

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 17

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:
OBL species	0 X 1	0
FACW species	0 X 2	0
FAC species	3 X 3	9
FACU species	0 X 4	0
UPL species	80 X 5	400
Column Totals	83 (A)	409 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.93

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=17%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP09u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-15	10YR 4/3	100					Clay Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP09w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 10 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 0

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.841023 Long: -107.598637 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 3.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Chenopodium album	1	☐	FACU
Elymus repens	30	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	20	☑	FACW

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 49

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:
OBL species	0 X 1	0
FACW species	20 X 2	40
FAC species	0 X 3	0
FACU species	31 X 4	124
UPL species	0 X 5	0
Column Totals	51 (A)	164 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.22

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☑ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=49%. Although the data point lacked a hydrophytic vegetation indicator, one of the dominant plant species was hydrophytic, hydric soil development was observed, and the data point is supported by wetland hydrology (1987 COE Wetland Delineation Manual).

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP09w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-04	10YR 4/1	75	7.5YR 3/4	25	C	PL	Clay Loam	
04-09	10YR 4/2	80	10YR 4/4	20	C	M	Loamy Sand	
09-13	10YR 4/2	100					Sand	**Very gravelly.**

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☑ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 many within the depleted matrix and along pore linings.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☑ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☑ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 2

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes saturation within 2 inches of the soil surface, salt crust, oxidized rhizospheres on living roots, and geomorphic position.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP10u

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace Local relief (concave, convex, none): flat Slope (%): 9

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.840482 Long: -107.598989 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☐ No ☑	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☐ No ☑
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐ No ☑	

Remarks: Upland sample point located outside cell 12/13 in burn area.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Elymus hispidus	30	☑	NL
Lepidium perfoliatum	1	☐	FAC

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 69

Dominance Test worksheet

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

Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 1 (B)

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

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:
OBL species	0 X 1	0
FACW species	0 X 2	0
FAC species	1 X 3	3
FACU species	0 X 4	0
UPL species	30 X 5	150
Column Totals	31 (A)	153 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.94

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☐ NO ☑

Remarks:

BG/litter=69%. Data point is dominated by upland vegetation.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP10u

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-15	10YR 4/3	100					Sandy Loam	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H**)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR I, J**)
- ☐ Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Dark Surface (S7) (**LRR G**)
- ☐ High Plains Depressions (F16) (**LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73**)
- ☐ Reduced Vertic (F18)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9)
- ☐ Salt Crust (B11)
- ☐ Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where not tilled**)
- ☐ Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)
- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) (**where tilled**)
- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☐ No ☑

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

Remarks: No evidence of wetland hydrology observed.

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

Project/Site: JTX Tunicliff City/County: Big Horn Sampling Date: 6/19/2021

Applicant/Owner: MDT State: Montana Sampling Point: DP10w

Investigator(s): R. Jones, J Trilling Section, Township, Range: 15 1N 33E

Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): 1

Subregion (LRR): LRR G Lat: 45.840387 Long: -107.599085 Datum: NAD 83

Soil Map Unit Name: Hh: Haverson and Lohmiller soils, wet 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 ☑	No ☐	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?** Yes ☑ No ☐
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☑	No ☐	

Remarks: PEM DEPRESSIONAL wetland in cell 12/13.

VEGETATION - Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

	Absolute % Cover:	Domiant Species?	Indicator Status

Sapling/Shrub Stratum Plot size (15 Foot Radius)

Herbaceous Stratum Plot size (5 Foot Radius)

Distichlis spicata	35	☑	FACW
Elymus repens	15	☑	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	5	☐	FACW
Schoenoplectus americanus	1	☐	OBL
Schoenoplectus maritimus	1	☐	OBL
Typha angustifolia	20	☑	OBL

Woody Vine Stratum Plot size (30 Foot Radius)

Percent Bare Ground 23

Dominance Test worksheet

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

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

Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7 % (A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	22	X 1	22
FACW species	40	X 2	80
FAC species	0	X 3	0
FACU species	15	X 4	60
UPL species	0	X 5	0
Column Totals	77 (A)		162 (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.10

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators

- ☐ 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☑ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☑ 3 - Prevalence Index is <= 3.0
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supporting data in remarks or on separate sheet.
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation (Explain)

Indicators of hydric sil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic for #3, 4, 5.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes ☑ NO ☐

Remarks:

BG/litter=23%. Evidence of hydrophytic vegetation includes a positive dominance test and a prevalence index less than or equal to 3.0.

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP10w

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

Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Redox Features Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-06	10YR 4/2	95	5YR 3/4	5	C	M	Sandy Clay	
06-14	10YR 4/2	95	10YR 3/4	5	C	M	Loamy Sand	

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

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

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Stratified Layers (A5) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ 1 cm Muck (A9) (**LRR F, G, H**)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (**LRR G, H**)
- ☐ 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (**LRR F**)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
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- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators 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 within the depleted matrix.

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☑ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
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- ☐ Thin Muck Surface (C7)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
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- ☐ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
- ☐ Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
- ☑ Geomorphic Position (D2)
- ☑ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (**LRR F**)

Field Observations:

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

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

Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe) Yes ☑ No ☐ Depth (inches): 3

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ☑ No ☐

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

Remarks: Evidence of wetland hydrology includes saturation within 3 inches of the soil surface, water stained leaves, salt crust, geomorphic position, and a positive FAC-Neutral test.

MDT Montana Wetland Assessment Form (revised March 2008)

1. Project name JTX-Tunnicliff **2. MDT project#** STPX STWD (056) **Control#** 9680000

3. Evaluation Date 6/18/2021 **4. Evaluators** R. Jones, J. Trilling **5. Wetland/Site# (s)** JTX Tunnicliff

6. Wetland Location(s): **T** 1N **R** 33E **Sec1** 10 **T** 1N **R** 33E **Sec2** 15

Approx Stationing or Mileposts NA

Watershed 14 - Middle Yellowstone **Watershed/County** Bighorn

7. Evaluating Agency CCI for MDT

8. Wetland size acres 8.18

Purpose of Evaluation

How assessed: Measured e.g. by GPS

☐ **Wetlands potentially affected by MDT project**

9. Assesssment area (AA) size (acres) 8.18

☐ **Mitigation Wetlands: pre-construction**

How assessed: Measured e.g. by GPS

☑ **Mitigation Wetlands: post construction**

☐ **Other**

10. Classification of Wetland and Aquatic Habitats in AA

HGM Class (Brinson)	Class (Cowardin)	Modifier (Cowardin)	Water Regime	% of AA
Depressional	Emergent Wetland	Excavated	Seasonal/Intermittent	100

11. Estimated Relative Abundance Abundant

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**) lists)

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 <=30%.	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)

Vegetation in AA well established except for areas that burned in July 2020

ii. Prominent noxious, aquatic nuisance, other exotic species:

Convolvulus arvensis, Cynoglossum officinale, Cirsium arvense

iii. Provide brief descriptive summary of AA and surrounding land use/habitat

Fishing Acess Site, large parcel homesites, ranching.

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: Site contains PEM wetland.

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 (check one based on definitions contained in instructions):

Primary or critical habitat (list species) ◉ D ◉ S

Secondary habitat (list Species) ◉ D ◉ S

Incidental habitat (list species) ◉ D ◉ S

No usable habitat ☑ S

ii. Rating (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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	.8H	.7M	.3L	.1L	0L

Sources for documented use USFWS T&E list for Big Horn County

14B. Habitat for plant or animals rated S1, S2, or S3 by the Montana Natural Heritage Program: (not including species listed in14A above)

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

Primary or critical habitat (list species) ◉ D ◉ S

Secondary habitat (list Species) ◉ D ○ S Bur oak (S2) documented on site in 2017.

Incidental habitat (list species) ○ D ◉ S Great Blue Heron (S3)

No usable habitat ☐ S

ii. Rating (use the conclusions from i above and the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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 Suitable great blue heron habitat

14C. General Wildlife Habitat Rating:

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

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, check 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 [check] the functional points and rating)

Evidence of wildlife use (i)	*Wildlife habitat features rating (ii)*			
	Exceptional	High	Moderate	Low
Substantial	1E	.9H	.8H	.7M
Moderate	.9H	.7M	.5M	.3L
Minimal	.6M	.4M	.2L	.1L

Comments Evidence of mammal use observed in 2021; deer bed and browsed vegetation, and burrows from unknown 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 check ☑ **NA** here and proceed to 14E.)

i. Habitat Quality and Known / Suspected Fish Species in AA (use matrix to arrive at [check 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	.3L
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?* **Y** ◯ **N** ◉ *If yes, reduce score in* ***i*** *above by 0.1:* **Modified Rating**

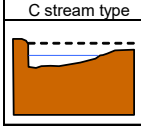
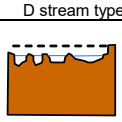
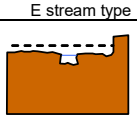
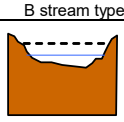
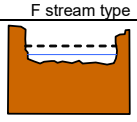
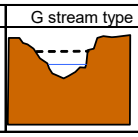
b) Does the AA contain a documented spawning area or other critical habitat feature (i.e., sanctuary pool, upwelling area, etc.- specify in comments) for native fish or introduced game fish? ◯ **Y** ◉ **N** *If yes, add 0.1 to the adjusted score in* ***i*** *or* ***iia*** *above:*
Modifed Rating

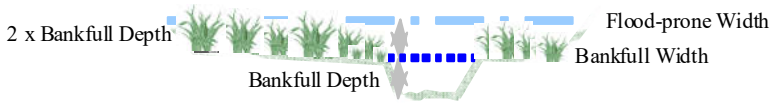
iii. Final Score and Rating: 0 NA **Comments:** No fish habitat within AA.

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, click ☐ **NA** here and proceed to 14F.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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

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
						



Floodprone width 700 / **Bankfull width** 250 = **Entrenchment ratio** 2.8

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 (check)? **Y** ◯ **N** ◉

Comments: AA subject to periodic flooding from Bighorn River, although flows in the river are controlled by a dam. Entrenchment ratio estimated from aerial photo interpretation and not measured in field. River is C-Type.

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, click ☐ **NA** here and proceed to 14G.)

i. Rating (Working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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: Due to the depth of the excavated cells relative to the surrounding uplands, this site is capable of providing a large amount of surface water storage.

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, click ☐ **NA** here and proceed to 14H.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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: AA has potential to receive sediment/nutrients/toxicants from surface or groundwater.

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, click ☑ **NA** here and proceed to 14I.)

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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: No surface water present in 2021

14I. Production Export/Food Chain Support:

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

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 [check] 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	1E	.7H	.8H	.5M	.6M	.4M	.9H	.6M	.7H	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.2L
S/I	.9H	.6M	.7H	.4M	.5M	.3L	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7H	.5M	.5M	.3L	.3L	.2L
T/E/A	.8H	.5M	.6M	.3L	.4M	.2L	.7H	.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? **Y** ◉ **N** ○ *If yes, add 0.1 to the score in **ii** above and adjust rating accordingly:* **Modified Rating** .5M

Comments: Adjacent upland buffer with greater than 30% plant cover and less than 5% noxious weed cover.

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
- ☐ Seeps are present at the wetland edge
- ☐ 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 [check] the functional points and rating)

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

Comments: The site was designed to have excavated wetland cells that utilize a high groundwater table as the primary source of wetland hydrology.

14K. Uniqueness:

i. Rating (working from top to bottom, use the matrix below to arrive at [check] 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	.7H	.6M	.6M	.4M	.3L	.3L	.2L	.1L

Comments: Wetland type is common in the Bighorn River floodplain.

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: (check) **Y** ◉ **N** ○ (if 'Yes' continue with the evaluation; if 'No' then click ☐ **NA** here 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 (use the matrix below to arrive at [check] the functional points and 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:

Site owned by MFWP and part of larger Grant Marsh WMA property.

General Site Notes

In 2021, as a result of severe drought conditions, this site was significantly dewatered and displayed a reduction in vegetative cover from obligate wetland plant species.

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

Function & Value Variables	Rating	Actual Functional Points	Possible Functional Points	Functional Units: (Actual Points x Estimated AA Acreage)	Indicate the four most prominent functions with an asterisk (*)
A. Listed/Proposed T&E Species Habitat	L	0	1	0.00	☐
B. MT Natural Heritage Program Species Habitat	M	.6	1	4.91	☐
C. General Wildlife Habitat	M	.7	1	5.73	☑
D. General Fish Habitat	NA	0	0	0.00	☐
E. Flood Attenuation	M	.6	1	4.91	☐
F. Short and Long Term Surface Water Storage	H	.9	1	7.36	☑
G. Sediment/Nutrient/Toxicant Removal	H	1	1	8.18	☑
H. Sediment/Shoreline Stabilization	NA	0	0	0.00	☐
I. Production Export/Food Chain Support	M	.5	1	4.09	☐
J. Groundwater Discharge/Recharge	M	.7	1	5.73	☑
K. Uniqueness	L	.3	1	2.45	☐
L. Recreation/Education Potential (bonus points)	H	.2	NA	1.64	☐
Totals:		5.5	9	44.99	
Percent of Possible Score			**61.11** %		

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:
(check appropriate category based on the criteria outlined above)

I | II | **III** | IV

Table B-1. JTX Tunnicliff Wetland Mitigation Site. Comprehensive Vegetation Species List 2017-2021

Scientific Names	Common Names	GP Indicator Status[(a)]
Acer negundo	Box Elder	FAC
Acroptilon repens	Russian Knapweed	UPL
Agropyron cristatum	Crested Wheatgrass	UPL
Alopecurus arundinaceus	Creeping Meadow-Foxtail	FACW
Arctium lappa	Greater Burdock	UPL
Asclepias speciosa	Showy Milkweed	FAC
Bassia scoparia	Mexican-Fireweed	FACU
Beckmannia syzigachne	American Slough Grass	OBL
Brassica sp.	Mustard sp.	NA
Bromus arvensis (japonicus)	Field Brome	FACU
Bromus ciliatus	Fringed Brome	FAC
Bromus inermis	Smooth Brome	UPL
Carex sp.	Sedge	NA
Chenopodium album	Lamb's-Quarters	FACU
Chenopodium glaucum	Oak-Leaf Goosefoot	FAC
Chenopodium rubrum	Red Goosefoot	OBL
Cirsium arvense	Canadian Thistle	FACU
Convolvulus arvensis	Field Bindweed	UPL
Crataegus douglasii	Douglas Hawthorne	FAC
Cynoglossum officinale	Gypsy-Flower	FACU
Dactylis glomerata	Orchardgrass	FACU
Distichlis spicata	Coastal Salt Grass	FACW
Echinocystis lobata	Wild Cucumber	FAC
Elaeagnus angustifolia	Russian-Olive	FACU
Elaeagnus commutata	Silverberry	UPL
Eleocharis palustris	Common Spike-Rush	OBL
Elymus hispidus	Intermediate Wheatgrass	UPL
Elymus repens	Creeping Wild Rye	FACU
Elymus trachycaulus	Slender Wild Rye	FACU
Equisetum arvense	Field Horsetail	FAC
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green Ash	FAC
Galium aparine	Sticky-Willy	FACU
Glycyrrhiza lepidota	American Licorice	FACU
Hordeum jubatum	Fox-Tail Barley	FACW
Iva axillaris	Deer-root	FAC
Juncus balticus	Baltic rush	FACW
Juncus torreyi	**Torrey's Rush**	**FACW**
Lepidium perfoliatum	Clasping Pepperwort	FAC
Leymus cinereus	Great Basin Lyme Grass	UPL
Medicago lupulina	Black Medick	FACU
Medicago sativa	Alfalfa	UPL

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Scientific Names	Common Names	GP Indicator Status[(a)]
Melilotis albus	White Sweet-Clover	UPL
Melilotis officinalis	Yellow Sweet-Clover	FACU
Pascopyrum smithii	Western Wheatgrass	FACU
Poa pratensis	Kentucky Blue Grass	FACU
Poa secunda	Curly Blue Grass	FACU
Populus deltoides	Eastern Cottonwood	FAC
Prunus virginiana	Common Chokecherry	FACU
Puccinellia nuttaliana	Nutall's Alkali Grass	OBL
Quercus macrocarpa	Bur Oak	FACU
Rosa woodsii	Wood's Rose	FACU
Rumex crispus	Curly Dock	FAC
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow	FAC
Schedonorus pratensis	False Meadow Rye	FACU
Shepherdia argentea	Silver Buffalo-Berry	UPL
Schoenoplectus acutus	Hard-Stem Club-Rush	OBL
Schoenoplectus americanus	Chairmaker's Club-rush	OBL
Schoenoplectus maritimus	Saltmarsh Club-rush	OBL
Schoenoplectus pungens	Three-Square	OBL
Sisymbrium altissimum	Tall Hedge-Mustard	FACU
Sporobolus airoides	Alkali-sacaton	FAC
Symphoricarpos albus	Common Snowberry	UPL
Taraxacum officinale	Common Dandelion	FACU
Thinopyrum ponticum	Tall Wheatgrass	UPL
Tragopogon dubius	Meadow Goat's-beard	UPL
Trifolium fragiferum	Strawberry-head Clover	FAC
Trifolium repens	White Clover	FACU
Typha angustifolia	Narrow-leaf Cat-tail	OBL
Typha latifolia	Broad-leaf Cat-tail	OBL
Xanthium strumarium	Rough Cockleburr	FAC

[(a)] 2018 NWPL (USACE 2018)

New species identified in 2021 are **bolded.**

APPENDIX C
PROJECT AREA PHOTOGRAPHS

MDT Wetland Mitigation Monitoring
JTX – Tunnicliff Ranch
Big Horn County, Montana

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Photo Point Photographs

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking NW at Cell 4
Bearing: 320 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking NW at Cell 4
Bearing: 320 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking east across property
Bearing: 270 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking east across property
Bearing: 270 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking SW at Cell 5
Bearing: 220 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 1 Location: Looking SW at Cell 5
Bearing: 220 degrees Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Photo Point Photographs

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking NW at Cell 9
Bearing: 315 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking NW at Cell 9
Bearing: 315 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking North at Cell 8/9
Bearing: 0 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking North at Cell 8/9
Bearing: 0 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking NE at Cell 8
Bearing: 45 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 2 Location: Looking NE at Cell 8
Bearing: 45 degrees Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Photo Point Photographs

Photo Point: 3 Location: Looking SE at Cell 13
Bearing: 140 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 3 Location: Looking SE at Cell 13
Bearing: 140 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 3 Location: Looking East at Cell 13
Bearing: 100 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 3 Location: Looking East at Cell 13
Bearing: 100 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 3 Location: W side of property Looking NE
Bearing: 45 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 3 Location: W side of property Looking NE
Bearing: 45 degrees Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Photo Point Photographs

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking East at Cell 3
Bearing: 105 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking East at Cell 3
Bearing: 105 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking South at Cell 3
Bearing: 160 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking South at Cell 3
Bearing: 160 degrees Year: 2021

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking West at Cell 2
Bearing: 240 degrees Year: 2016

Photo Point: 4 Location: Looking West at Cell 2
Bearing: 240 degrees Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Transect Photographs

Transect 1: Start Location: SE corner of property
Bearing: 230 degrees Year: 2016

Transect 1: Start Location: SE corner of property
Bearing: 230 degrees Year: 2021

Transect 1: End Location: SE corner of property
Bearing: 50 degrees Year: 2016

Transect 1: End Location: SE corner of property
Bearing: 50 degrees Year: 2021

Transect 2: Start Location: West side of property
Bearing: 350 degrees Year: 2016

Transect 2: Start Location: West side of property
Bearing: 350 degrees Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Transect and Data Point Photographs

Transect 2: End
Bearing: 170 degrees
Location: West side of property
Year: 2016

Transect 2: End
Bearing: 170 degrees
Location: West side of property
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP01w
Location: Cell 4
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP01u
Location: Cell 4
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP02w
Location: Cell 5
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP02u
Location: Cell 5
Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Transect and Data Point Photographs

Data Point: DP03w Location: Cell 6
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP03u Location: Cell 6
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP04w Location: Cell 7
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP04u Location: Cell 7
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP05w Location: Cell 8/9
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP05u Location: Cell 8/9
Year: 2021

JTX Tunnicliff: 2021 Transect and Data Point Photographs

Data Point: DP06w
Year: 2021

Location: Cell 10/11

Data Point: D06u
Year: 2021

Location: Cell 10/11

Data Point: DP07w
Year: 2021

Location: Cell 1

Data Point: DP07u
cell 1 within 2020 burn area

Location: Northeast of
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP08w
Year: 2021

Location: Cell 2

Data Point: DP08u
Year: 2021

Location: Cell 2

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Data Point: DP09w Location: Cell 3
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP09u Location: Cell 3
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP10w Location: Cell 12/13
Year: 2021

Data Point: DP10u Location: Cell 12/13
Year: 2021