

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region

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Project/Site: Keystone XL - Phase II County: Meade County Sampling Date: 10/30/10
 Applicant/Owner: TransCanada - Tron - KXL State: SD Sampling Point: W500ME001
 Investigator(s): B500 Section, Township, Range: T7N R17E Sec 7
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): NA Local relief (concave, convex, none): NA Slope (%): 2%
 Subregion (LRR): Western Great Plains Lat: _____ Long: _____ Datum: _____
 Soil Map Unit Name: _____ NWI classification: _____

Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes No _____ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
 Are Vegetation N, Soil N, or Hydrology N significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes _____ No _____
 Are Vegetation N, Soil N, or Hydrology N 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Remarks: <u>Pasture/Cattle</u>	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>NA</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____				Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC (excluding FAC-): _____ (A)
2. _____				Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: _____ (B)
3. _____				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: _____ (A/B)
4. _____				
_____ = Total Cover				
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>NA</u>)				Prevalence Index worksheet:
1. _____				Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____
2. _____				OBL species _____ x 1 = _____
3. _____				FACW species _____ x 2 = _____
4. _____				FAC species _____ x 3 = _____
5. _____				FACU species _____ x 4 = _____
_____ = Total Cover				UPL species _____ x 5 = _____
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>5'</u>)				Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)
1. <u>Agropyron smithii</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>NI</u>	Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
2. <u>Agropyron cristatum</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>NI</u>	
3. <u>Bouteloua gracilis</u>	<u>10%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>NI</u>	
4. <u>Bouteloua dactyloides</u>	<u>15%</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>Fac U-</u>	
5. _____				
6. _____				
7. _____				
8. _____				
9. _____				
10. _____				
<u>80%</u> = Total Cover				
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>NA</u>)				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
1. _____				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
2. _____				___ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
				___ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
				___ 4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
				___ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>5%</u>				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
_____ = Total Cover				
Remarks:				

SOIL

Sampling Point: upland WSOAME001

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)								
Depth (inches)	Matrix		Redox Features				Texture	Remarks
	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²		
0-8"	10YR 2/2	100	<hr/>				Siel	
8-12"	10YR 3/2	100	<hr/>				Cl	

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

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

- Histosol (A1)
- Histic Epipedon (A2)
- Black Histic (A3)
- Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- 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 Soils³:

- 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)

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

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: _____
Depth (inches): _____

Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No X

Remarks:

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

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No X

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

Remarks: