

Sample No. ______ Date YYYY/MM/DD Evaluator(s) _____

PRE-FIELD DESKTOP INFORMATION												
T.1.1 Wetla	and Identificati	on										
Bio-geoclim UTM Coord Hydrogeom Estuarine	Wetland IDSource: _FWA _ Site Plan _ Other - describe:Bio-geoclimatic Classification: NDT Total Wetland Area (m²):											
T.1.2. First	Nations Inforr	mation										
List First Na	List First Nations territories that overlap with wetland/block:											
Has/have the relevant First Nation office(s) been informed about this assessment? Y N Has/have the relevant First Nation community(ies) been invited to join the assessment? Y N												
T13 One	ning Informatio	on (Complet	to this section i	f located wi	thin 2 RMA	widths (of a cut-	hlock):				
T.1.3. Opening Information (Complete this section if located within 2 RMA widths of a cut-block): District: Opening ID: Licensee: Forest License: Block: Harvest year: Harvest Location (Select all sides that apply): North East West South												
Wetland Riparian Class: on Plans (e.g., unclassified, W1 – W5): in Field: m Riparian Mgmt Area: m Riparian Reserve Zone: m Riparian Mgmt Zone: m (pg. 13)												
T.1.4. Ripa	rian/Buffer Re	tention Inf	ormation (Do	not factor ro	oad crossin	gs into n	neasurer	nents):				
Length alor Avg. width or represented	erimeter within a og wetland perime of full treed retention by recent harvest ed retention on se	eter with full on present (n (from wetlar	retention (m): _ nax 100m): nd edge) (max 10	; with p _; Avg. width 00m):	of treed rete	ention pr		section				
	cription of dom					neter of	wetlan	d.				
Upland Descriptor (e.g., Pinebeetle, Vegetation age Disturbance(s) Width (if>100 m) perimeter (m) along wetland perimeter. (Entire perimeter should equal 1) (iFb) Width (if>100 m) Fraction along wetland perimeter. (Entire perimeter should equal 1) (iFb)								on lumber record wise				
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T.1.6. Other Developments
Number of road crossings: in assessment polygon, in wetland on any upstream tributaries of the wetland
% of watershed developed upstream Main development:

PRE-FIELD DESKTOP INFORMATION CONTINUED

T.2. L	ANDSCAPE INDICATORS			NA
14a	% of upland area from wetland edge modified by human activities (30 m wide if small wetland (0-5 ha) and 50 m wide if large (>5 ha)) (pg. 44)		%	
14b	% of wetland's shoreline visible from any point on a road, pipeline or powerline within 300 m of small wetlands or 500 m of large wetlands (pg. 44)		%	
14c	% of wetland perimeter with right-of-ways within 100 m impinging on wetland's perimeter (pg. 45)		%	
14d	Percent coverage of mature and old forest within 2 kilometers of the wetland perimeter greater than the minimal target for coverage for the area's respective bio-geoclimatic zone and natural disturbance type. (pg. 46)		%	
		Υ	Ν	NA
15a	Do all mapped and unmapped streams at roads and ROWs appear to be in their original water courses? (pg. 47)			
15b	% of contributing basin intercepted by roads or ROWs (pg. 48)		%	

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

T.3. SUPPLEMENTARY MANAGEMENT OBSERVATIONS	Υ	N	NA
Boundaries on site plan for wetland coincide with observations in field:			
Retention around other wetlands observed on block?			
Four-wheel drive access blocked on roads within 100 m from wetland edge?			
If rangeland present, measures taken to reduce/block livestock access to wetland edge?			

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FIELD SAMPLING INFORMATION Entire Wetland Sampled Partial Wetland Sampled

For all samples, record:	
Total Polygon Assessed (m²) (Wetland assessed + 10 m upland riparian):	
10 m Riparian Area Upland of Wetland Assessed (m²): Wetland Assessed Size (m²):	

T.4.1	. TRAN	SECT INFO	ORMATION	1						
UTM	Coordin	ates at Wetl	and Edge						.5	b)/2
	UTM Zone	Easting	Northing	Transect Bearing into Wetland (0-360°)	Transect is representing wetland influenced from upland strata area composed of: (e.g., cut-block, mature forest, etc.)	End Type¹	Trans.Length (TL) (m)	Fraction (Fa) Fa = TL / TTL	Upland Fraction (Fb) From T.1	Weighted Fraction WF= (Fa +Fb)/2
T1										
T2										
T3										
				Total T	ransect Lengths (TTI	_) (m)		1	1	NA

 $^{\rm 1}$ C= Channel, Ww = Shallow open water, Ow = open water, Ot = other, E = End of 50 m transect, M = middle of wetland, NA = Not Applicable.

T.4.2	. WET	LAND I	PLOT INFO	RMATION	Soil Water			Sum	Summary				
	UTM Coordinates in wetland plots					J.		nin	s ace)				
Transect	Plot ID	UTM Zone	Easting	Northing	Vegetation Zone Length (m)	Plot Location (C = Centre of veg zone, E = End of zone)	Mineral or Humic / Organic Soil within 30 cm? (pg. 19)	Fibric or Mesic Organic Soil within 30 cm? (pg. 19)	Depth to water (cm) (Note: pos. is below surface, neg. is above surface)	Hd	Temperature (Celsius)	Wetland Class (i.e. Wf = fen)	Wetland Plant Association (optional – if known) (e.g., Wf02)
T_	P1												
T_	P2												
T_	P3												
T_	P4												
T_	P5												
T_	P6												
T_	P7												
T_	P8												
T_	P9												
T_	P10												
T_	P11												
T_	P12												
T_	P13												
T_	P14												
				Questi	cator				13b	13b			

VEGETATION PLOT INFORMATION FOR 10m UPLAND AND WITHIN WETLAND

	T.4.3. VEGETATION INFORMATION											
		Species Name For Upland Plots (U), just record invasive	Check if applicabl									
Transect (e.g., T1, T2)	Plot ID (e.g., U1 or P1)	or disturbance increasers. For Wetland Plots (P), record dominant, invasive (pg. 49), disturbance (pg. 23), and plants of cultural significance (pg. 52) (if known)	% Cover	(pg. 2	Vigor	Recruitment	Invasive	Disturbance/ Increaser	Cultural Value			
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TRANSECT ORSERVATIONS LIPLAND FROM WETLAND FDGE

	TRANSECT OBSERVATIONS	SUF	LAN	יו עו	ROW WE	LAND EDGI	
	TLAND BUFFER INFORMATION						
Question Indicator		Tra	nsect	Obs T3	Transect Summary	% large non- homogenous patches	Total = Sum of average % plus % from
NA	Width (m) of retention treed upland from wetland (pg. 20) – Max 100 m				Weighted Average % (use Fb)*	outside transects but within upland area	any non- homogenous large patches encountered
NA	% treed retention (basal area) upland from wetland (pg. 20)				Weighted Average % (use Fb)*		
3	% undesirable disturbance/ increaser plants 10 m upland from wetland edge (pg. 22) – Tip: use Vegetation Plot Form to record details and tally percentages.				Weighted Average % (use Fb)*		
5a	% nonmerchantable conifers, understory deciduous trees, shrubs, and herbaceous vegetation retainment within 20 m upland from wetland edge (pg. 27)				Weighted Average % (use Fb)* Weighted Average % (use Fb)*		
5b,5c,5d	% mature co-dominant windfirm conifers retained within riparian management zone (pg.27) RMZ width:m (pg. 13)				Weighted Average % (use Fb)*		
5b,5c,5d	% deciduous trees retained within riparian management zone (pg. 27) RMZ width:m (pg. 13)				Weighted Average % (use Fb)*		
Row 1 (Transect 1	ate the weighted average, look up table calculations: x) + (x) (T1) width of treed retention (WTR) x Tx)) + (1 Fb -	+ T2 V	_ x _ VTR :) = x T2 Fb + WT	R x T3 Fb = We	
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q5a (X) + (X) +	(x) =		
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*Retrieve Fb from table 1.5.

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Table 5.2. Windthrow upland 20 m of wetland with no RRZ; or upland 10 m of wetland with RRZ									
			mark NA if new win	dthro	w fro	m sti	ata represe	nting the recent	NA 🗆
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Indicat					Transect V Observations A			homogenous	of average
				T1	T2	T3	% use Fb	patches out-	% plus %
								side transects but within	from any non-
								up-land areas	homogenous large patches
									encountered
			row (root wads				Eq. 7 (see		
10a+b		still intact) (p	0 ,				below)		
IUa+D	'	Note: If no w	rindthrow is en record NA for						
		all Q10 a+b							
		# new windt	hrow (live trees				Eq. 8 (see		
10a+b			n – snaps or root				below)		
10a+b	_	tipped) # standing li	vo troos						
IUa+D	'	# Stariumy ii	ve trees		<u> </u>				
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ea 2			= ()	÷ (_)	
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ea 3			= ()	÷ (+)	
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ea 4			= ()	÷ (+	+)
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			= (T2Old W.T.)						
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eq. 6.			= ()	÷ (+	+)
			= (T3Old W.T.)						
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Use workspace at the back of form to complete similar calculations if large homogenous patches of									
		are observed							
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^{*}Retrieve Fb from table 1.5

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CONTINUOUS FEATURES 10m UPLAND OF THE WETLAND EDGE

T.5.3. Bare Ground Hydrologically Connected to Wetland											
	If the transport of sediment from upland surrounding areas is observed	Tally (m²) of hydrologically connected areas	% (m² total/ m² polygon)								
7b	to enter the wetland (within or outside of transects) then estimate the % bare and compacted ground hydrologically connected upslope of polygon (pg. 31)										

Using the table below, estimate the percent (%) of layers and features that are observed or have been 100% lost due to a disturbance. Additionally, using Yes or No answers, determine if layers and features show good form, recruitment, and vigor. This estimation is based only on the upland portion of the polygon. (Q4c+d, pg. 25) Layer Check if present OR evidence of 100% lost Snags Check if present OR evidence of 100% lost Snags Check if present OR evidence (%) Over-story Trees Check if present OR evidence (%) Inder-story Trees					_							
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form, recruitment, and vigor. This estimation is based only on the upland portion of the polygon. (Q4c+d, pg. 25) Layer Check if present OR evidence of 100% lost Snags NA Remaining after a disturbance (%) Form (Y/N) NA Over-story Trees NA NA Over-story Trees NA NA Low Shrubs NA NA Herbs NA NA Mosses NA NA CWD NA Total (Sum of %'s) Total possible number of Yes answers Average (%) (Q4c) % of cells with												
Layer Check if present OR evidence of 100% lost evidence of 100% lost of 200% lost disturbance (%)												
evidence of 100% lost												
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Under-story Trees	Snags				Ш					NA		
Tall Shrubs					Ц							
Low Shrubs					Ц	_						
Herbs					Ц	_						
NA NA					Ц	_						
Mosses					Ц	_						
Lichens			_		Ц	_				NA		
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TRANSECT OBSERVATIONS: BOTH WITHIN WETLAND AND 10 M UPLAND PORTION FROM WETLAND EDGE

T71 FII	LL POLYGON ASSESSMENT O	RSF	RVAT	ION	S		
Question Indicator	Transect summary info in both wetland and 10 m upland from wetland edge	T1	T2	T3	Transect Summary	Large non- homogeneous patches outside transects but within assessment polygon (% of poly)	Total = Transect summary plus large patches
1	% vegetation cover (pg. 21)				Weighted Average % use WF*		
2a	% cover invasive species (pg. 49)				Weighted Average % use WF*		
5e	% live woody vegetation removal in the wetland (other than browsing) (pg. 28)				Weighted Average % use WF*		
7a	% bare ground (pg. 30)				Weighted Average % use WF*		
9a	% Dead or Decadent trees of all trees (pg. 35)				Weighted Average % use WF*		
9c	Old (O) or New(N) Coarse Woody Debris (>7.5 cm diameter) – that crosses transect % old to new (pg. 36) Note: Talley O and N within each transect for CWD that intersects with rotary tape.				Weighted Average % use WF*		
10c	# of wildlife trees no longer functioning as wildlife trees				Sum		
	ate the weighted average, look up ta calculations:	ble or	n pag	e 3 fo	or Weighted	Fractions (WF), and	use the
	x) +(x _ veg.cover.*T1WF) +(T2%veg.cove						
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^{*}Retrieve WF from table T.4.1.

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Code 1	Code 2	Code 3	Code 4	Code 5	Code 6	Code 7	Code 8	Code 9
Rare individual, a single occurrence	Few sporadically occurring individuals	Single patch or clump of a species	Several sporadically occurring individuals	A few patches or clumps of a species	Several well spaced patches or clumps of a species	Continuous uniform occurrence of well spaced individuals	Continuous occurrence of a species with a few gaps in the distribution	Continuous dense occurrence of a species

occurrence			"	idividuais	species		species	spaced gaps in the individuals distribution		in the	ot a species		
	T.7.3. Continuous observations: snag and coarse woody debris within wetland and 10 m upland												
	Softwood Hardwood												
		De	ad				Dead Fallen			Dea	ıd		Dead Fallen
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Check all deca	u y classes	of snags	observed	within 10 m	upland o	of the v	wetland ed	dge]		
Check all Diam Sizes observed		0 <	10 cm	; 10 < 20 cm	n 🔲 ; 20	< 30	cm 🗌 ; 3	0 < 4	0 cm]; 40	< 50 c	:m 🔲 ; 5	60 cm +
9b: # decay cla	asses of s	tanding d	ead trees:			# Dia	meter Siz	e Cla	sses o	f stand	ling de	ad trees	·
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CONTINUOUS OBSERVATIONS FOR VEGETATION

	. ADDITIONAL VEGETATION INDICATORS WITHIN WETLAND AND I UPLAND	%/#	NA
4e	% of impact affecting the long term trajectory of the climax plant community		
6a	# plants with heavy browse (pg. 28)		
6b	Maximum % grazed of available grazing area in polygon (pg. 29)		
6c	% seedings/saplings of palatable species. To indicate recruitment (pg. 29)		

FEATURES WITHIN WETLAND

T.8. FORM, VIGOR, AND RECRUITMENT WITHIN WETLAND

Using the table below, estimate the percent (%) of all observed layers or those 100% lost due to a disturbance. Additionally, using Yes or No answers, determine if all expected layers and components show good form, recruitment, and vigor. This estimation is based only on the wetland portion of the polygon. (Q4a+b)

Layer/ Feature	Typical Associated Wetland Class	Check if present OR evidence of 100% lost	NA	Remaining after a disturbance (%)	Form (Y/N)	Vigor (Y/N)	Recruitment (Y/N)
Snags	Wb, Ws					NA	
Over-story Trees	Wb, Ws						
Under-story Trees	Wb, Ws						
Tall Shrubs	Wb, Ws						
Low Shrubs	Wb, Ws, Wf						
Herbs – Terrestrial/ Emergent	Wb, Ws, Wf, Wm, Ww						
Herbs – Aquatic	Wm, Wf, Ws					NA	
Elevated Microsites	Wb, Wf, Ws						
Mosses/ Lichens	Wb, Wf, Ws						
CWD	Wb, Ws						
Open Water Pools (>4m²)	Wb, Wf, Wm, Ws					NA	
				Total (Sum of %'s)		al possib of Yes ar	le number nswers
					A	Yes ans	
				Average (%) (Q4c)	Ye	% of cel es answe	lls with ers (Q4d)

*Depending on the site you are evaluating, certain structural features may not be relevant. Wetland Class(es) listed in the 2nd column might be more common for the features. Features for wetland classes not listed are generally less common for those classes. Put NA for features not observed at the site or where the evaluator is not confident if the layer is missing due to disturbance. Note: Wb = bog, Wf = fen, Wm = marsh, Ws = swamp, Ww = shallow open water



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T.9. PHYSICAL AND HYDROLOGICAL ALTERATION INDICATORS								
		Tally of occurrences (m²)	То	tal	%			
8a	% total polygon altered. Include compacted ground (pg. 32)							
8b	severity of physical alteration ¹ (pg. 33)	severe moderate slight	no	alterat	ion			
l			Υ	Ν	NA			
11a	Are hydrologic changes minor or non-existe	nt?						
11b	Are recent dead trees or shrubs absent from indicate a rise in water level? (pg. 39)	the wetland edge that would						
11c	Upland plant or tree species are not encroad shrinking (pg. 39)	ching, and the wetland is not						
11d	If the wetland has a defined stream channel incisement is minor or non-existent (i.e., mir vegetation) (pg. 40)							
11e	Natural surface or subsurface areas are not If drainage tiles, ditches, dikes, gullies are p minor to non-existent impact to vegetation i	resent they are having a						
12a	If an outlet structure is present, is it structure at the outlet)? (pg. 41)	ally stable (i.e. not eroding						
12b								
12c	% of the streambank or shoreline is structur water and vegetation communities) (pg. 41)	ally aftered (interface of open		%				
12d	% streambank with deep binding rootmass (pg. 42)	? (Lotic (moving water) only)		. %				
13a	Does the wetland lack any signs of excessive matts, blooms, fish kills?	re nutrient loading such as algae						
13b	Do basic water quality parameters (smell, coappear to be within a reasonable range of na							

¹No alteration: No human-caused physical alteration observed on the polygon;

Slight: Physical site integrity is near natural. Alteration (including recovery from any past severe alterations) is apparent, but reflects minimal impact to plant communities and hydrological function in the altered areas (e.g., the plant community is little changed from that on nearby sites lacking physical alteration, any changes to microtopography are slight and they are well vegetated with appropriate species);

Moderate: As compared with nearby unaltered sites, human-caused physical alteration on the polygon (including recovery from any past severe alterations) has noticeably altered the physical site integrity to the point that plant communities and hydrological function on the altered areas show visible impact. The plant community differs noticeably (by having introduced or missing components) from nearby sites that are on similar landscape position and that lack physical alterations. Changes to the microtopography of the soil profile is moderate in depth. Such alteration is either becoming re-vegetated with appropriate species or is well covered with a mix of less desirable and appropriate species;

Severe: Human-caused physical site alteration on the polygon has compromised the physical integrity of the altered areas (even if only a small area is altered). Old alterations have not recovered and are still affecting the vegetation or hydrological functions (e.g., the plant community differs radically from nearby sites in similar position that lack physical alterations, reflecting altered hydrologic and/or soil conditions). Disruption of the microtopography of the soil profile is severe in depth of disturbance. Alterations remain mostly bare of plant cover, are no longer supporting wetland habitat, or are becoming vegetated with invasive or undesirable species.



VEGETATION

HEALTH ASSESSMENT CHECKLIST

Question 1. Vegetative cover is sufficient to perform various	Υ	N		Reference
ecological functions?				Table
a) Is vegetative cover of the entire polygon (i.e., wetland portion of polygon AND upland portion of polygon representing 10 m from wetland edge that is within the assessment area) greater than 85%?				T.7.1.
Question 2. Is the presence of Invasive and/or Noxious	Υ	N	NA	Reference
Species minimal to non-existent in the entire polygon?	Ш	Ш	Ш	Table
a) Is Invasive and/or Noxious Plant Canopy Cover less than 5% of the entire polygon?				T.7.1.
b) Is the distribution of Invasive and/or Noxious Plants less than Code 4in the entire polygon?				T.7.2.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 2. Otherw	ise ma	rk "Yes	"	
Question 3. Have the number of undesirable disturbance-	Y	N		Reference
increaser species been limited to a satisfactory level?	Ш	Ш		Table
a) Is the coverage of disturbance-caused undesirable species (e.g., domestic grasses, dandelions, pineapple weed, buttercups, etc.) less than 25% of total area in the riparian upland area 10 m from wetland edge?				T.5.1.
Question 4. Is the vegetation of the entire polygon generally characteristic of what the healthy unmanaged wetland and	Y	N		Reference Table
riparian plant communities are normally?				
a) Is greater than 85% of the layers and features in the wetland portion of the polygon intact?				T.8.
b) Does greater than 85% of all expected layers and components show good recruitment, form, and vigor in the wetland?				T.8.
c) Is greater than 75% of the layers and features in the 10 m upland portion of the polygon intact?				T.6.
 d) Does greater than 75% of all expected layers and components show good recruitment, form and vigor in the upland portion of the polygon? 				T.6.
e) Is the % of the long-term trajectory of the vegetation community altered less than 15% for the entire polygon?				T.7.4.
**For yes/no consider both natural and human caused impacts. For value, re	ecord 9	6 for hu	ıman-c	aused only.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 4. Otherw				
Question 5. Has sufficient vegetation been retained to minimize windthrow, maintain adequate screening, visual	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
cover and an LWD supply?				
 a) On all wetlands, have most (apx. 75%) non-merchantable conifers, understory deciduous trees, shrubs and herbaceous vegetation been retained within 20m upland of the wetland edge? 				T.5.1.
b) For wetlands in the CDF, PP, BG, CWHxm, dm, ds and IDFxh, xw, xm biogeoclimatic units, have all wildlife trees, 70% of the mature co-dominant windfirm conifers within the RMZ, and all deciduous trees within 10m of: the RRZ or W/L edge been retained?				T.5.1.
c) For wetlands in the ESSF, MS,ICH, MH, CWHvm, mm, ms, ws and IDFdm, dk1, dk2 biogeoclimatic units, have all wildlife trees, 40% of the mature co-dominant windfirm conifers within the RMZ, and all deciduous trees within 10m of: the RRZ or W/L edge been maintained				T.5.1.
d) For wetlands in the SWB, SBS, SBPS, BWBS, CWHvh and IDFww, mw, dk3, dk4 biogeoclimatic units, have all wildlife trees, 10% of the mature co-dominant windfirm conifers, within the RMZ and 30% of deciduous trees within 10m of: the RRZ or W/L edge been retained?				T.5.1.
e) Is the wetland free of woody vegetation removal?				
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 5. Otherw.	ise mai	rk "Yes	"	

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Question 6. Is heavy browse and grazing absent in assessment polygon?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
 a) Is heavy browse absent? Heavy browse is browse down to second-year wood over most (> 50% of the branches) of the plant. 				T.7.4.
b) Is 90% or more of the available grazing area free of heavy grazing?				T.7.4.
c) Do seedlings or saplings of palatable tree and shrub species make up more than 5% of those species in the entire polygon?	P 🗌			
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 6. Otherwi	se mar	k "Yes'	,	

SOILS

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Question 7. Has bare ground been minimized in the entire polygon?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
a) Is there less than 1% bare ground in the entire polygon?				T.7.1.
Is the amount of bare soil within and/or hydrologically connected to the entire polygon less than 5%?				T.5.3.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 7. Otherv	vise ma	rk "Yes	"	

MORPHOLOGY

Question 8. Has physical alteration been minimized with no noticeable impacts to vegetative communities and hydrologic function?	Y	N		Reference Table
a) Is less than 10% of the entire polygon physically altered?				T.9.
b) Is the severity of the physical alteration slight or non-existent?				T.9.
If both questions have "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 8.	Otherw	rise ma	rk "Ye	s"
Question 9. Are wetland woody debris processes intact 10 m upland of the wetland?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
a) Does the number or density of standing dead trees (snags) in the upland area and forested wetland areas (i.e., forested bogs and swamps), appear within the range of natural variability and do not consist of more than 25% of the total standing trees? (do not count dead trees due to catastrophic events such as wildfire).				T.7.1.
 b) Are the standing dead trees composed of different diameter and decay classes? 				T.7.3.
c) Is more than half of the coarse woody debris present old, stable and well incorporated into the wetland, with no evidence of recent movement?				T.7.1.
d) Does the coarse woody debris present show distinct multiple modes with regard to diameter and decay?				T.7.3.
If there are 2 or more "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 9. C	Otherwi	se mar	k "Yes	"

TIP: Check N if even one plant has been heavily browsed.

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Question 10. Has vegetation around the wetland been adequately protected from windthrow?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
a) Is the incidence of post-treatment windthrow 20 m upland around small (0-5 ha) wetlands with no RRZ less than 10% of the living stems over and above what occurs naturally in the area? If there is an RRZ then mark NA, and answer 10b.				T.5.2.
b) Is the incidence of post-treatment windthrow in the RRZ of the riparian area around large (> 5 ha) wetlands or small wetlands (0-5 ha) with a RRZ less than 5% of the living stems present over and above what occurs naturally in the area? If there is no RRZ then mark NA, and answer 10a.				T.5.2.
Are wildlife trees (e.g. nest sites, bear dens) still standing, or if not, still functioning as wildlife trees?				T.5.2.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 10. Other	vise m	ark "Ye	s"	

HYDROLOGY				
Question 11. Is vegetation in the wetland and its riparian area free of any impacts due to changes in the hydrologic regime?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
a) Are hydrologic changes minor or non-existent?				T.9.
b) Are recent dead trees or shrubs absent from the wetland edge that would indicate a change in water level?				T.9.
 Is the wetland free of progressively younger age class plants or trees extending into the wetland from the drier edges of the wetland or adjacent upland area? 				T.9.
d) If the wetland has a defined stream flowing through it, is any incisement by the channel having a minor to non-existent effect on the wetland vegetation?				T.9.
 e) If any drainage tiles, ditches, dikes or gullies are present by the wetland, are they having only a minor to non-existent impact on the wetland vegetation? 				T.9.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 11. Other	wise ma	ark "Ye	s"	
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WATER QUALITY

Question 13. Does the water quality of the wetland appear to be within reasonable range of natural variation?	Y	N	Reference Table
Does the wetland lack any signs of excessive nutrient loading such as algae matts, blooms, fish kills?			T.9.
b) Do basic water quality parameters (smell, colour, pH, turbidity, temperature) appear to be within a reasonable range of natural variation?			Т.9.
If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 13. Other	wise m	ark "Yes"	

LANDSCAPE

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	Question 14: Is the riparian and upland habitat beside the wetland of adequate size and quality to mitigate impacts on critical activities (movements, feeding, breeding) by the area's desired wildlife (e.g., grizzly, ungulates, martin, raptors, woodpeckers, songbirds, waterfowl, reptiles, amphibians, etc.)?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
	a) Does 75% or more of the wetland have a riparian area around it that has not been modified by human activities, 30 m wide in the case of small wetlands (0-5 ha), or 50 m wide for large (> 5 ha) wetlands?				T.2.
	b) Is 10% or less of the wetland's shoreline visible from any point on a road, pipeline or powerline within 300 m of small wetlands, or 500 m of large wetlands?				T.2.
	c) Do right-of-ways within 100 m of the wetland impinge on no more than 10% of the wetland's perimeter?				T.2.
	d) Is the percent cover of mature and old forest within 2 kilometers of the wetland perimeter greater than the minimal target for the area's respective bio-geoclimatic zone and natural disturbance type?				T.2.
	If there are more than one "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question	14. O	therwis	e marl	k "Yes"
	Question 15. Are surface and subsurface flows to the wetland intact?	Y	N	NA	Reference Table
	a) Do all mapped and unmapped streams at roads and ROWs appear to be in their original water courses?				
	b) Is less than 25% of contributing basin intercepted by roads or ROWs				T.2.
L	If there are any "No" answers, mark the "No" box for Question 15. Otherw	vise ma	ark "Ye	s"	

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SUMMARY WETLAND ASSESSMENT HEALTH FORM	Υ	N	NA
Question 1. Vegetative Cover of the Polygon > 85%?			
Question 2. Invasive Plant Species are not well established and not threatening the site?			
Question 3. Coverage of disturbance-caused undesirable species <25%?			
Question 4. Is the wetland vegetation generally characteristic of what the healthy unmanaged wetland plant communities are normally?			
Question 5. Has sufficient vegetation been retained to reduce windthrow, maintain adequate screening, visual cover and an LWD supply?			
Question 6. Is heavy browse and grazing absent?			
Question 7. % Bare and compacted ground from a disturbance is less than 5%			
Question 8. Less than 15% of wetland polygon is physically altered with noticeable impacts to vegetative communities and hydrologic function?			
Question 9. Are wetland woody debris processes intact?			
Question 10. Has the vegetation retained in the RMA been sufficiently protected from windthrow?			
Question 11. Is vegetation in the wetland and its riparian area free of any impacts due to changes in the hydrologic regime?			
Question 12. Is there an absence of significant threats to water levels in the wetland?			
Question 13. Does the water quality of the wetland appear to be within reasonable range of natural variation?			
Question 14: Wetland is well connected with adjacent habitat?			
Question 15. Are surface and subsurface flows to the wetland intact?			
# of "No" Answers:			
Conclusion on Functioning Condition:			
0 to 2 No's = Properly Functioning 3 to 4 No's = Functioning, b	out at ri	isk	
5 to 6 No's = Functioning, but at high risk	ctionin	g	

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EXTRA SHEET FOR VEGETATION PLOT INFORMATION FOR 10m UPLAND AND WITHIN WETLAND

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