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MEMORANDUM

To: Steve Sellers, Manager

Region 4 Alternative Delivery

From: Rita Thompson

Tech Studies Office, Ecology Unit

Date: 7/24/2025

Subject: Environmental Boundaries Report for:

PIN 136185.13 (Old PIN 134862.00); SR-371 Bridge Replacement (Bridge

Rita M. Thompson

#51)

Lauderdale County, TN

An ecological evaluation of the subject project has been conducted in response to a request for initial feature identification with the following result:

STREAMS: One (1) stream and one (1) wet weather conveyance/ephemeral stream features were noted within the project limits.

WETLANDS: One (1) wetland was noted within the project limits.

OTHER FEATURES: No other features were noted in the project limits.

SPECIES:

- *USFWS*: USFWS coordination was completed on May 21, 2025. USFWS did not have concerns for listed species. TDOT has determined there will be no effect to listed species as a result of this project.
- TWRA: TWRA coordination was completed on May 21, 2025. TWRA did not have species concerns.
- TDEC DNA: This project fits Condition #1 of the TDEC DNA MOA

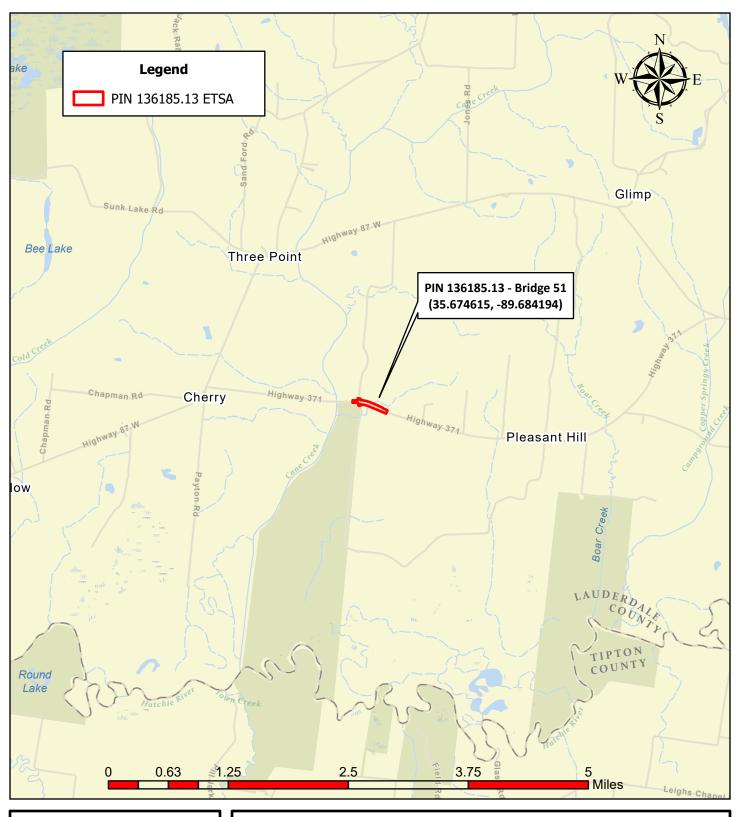
COMMITMENTS: There are no project commitments.

Please note the fieldwork and coordination for the project was completed under the old PIN referenced above. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me at (615) 253-2459 or *rita.m.thompson@tn.gov*.

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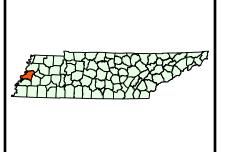
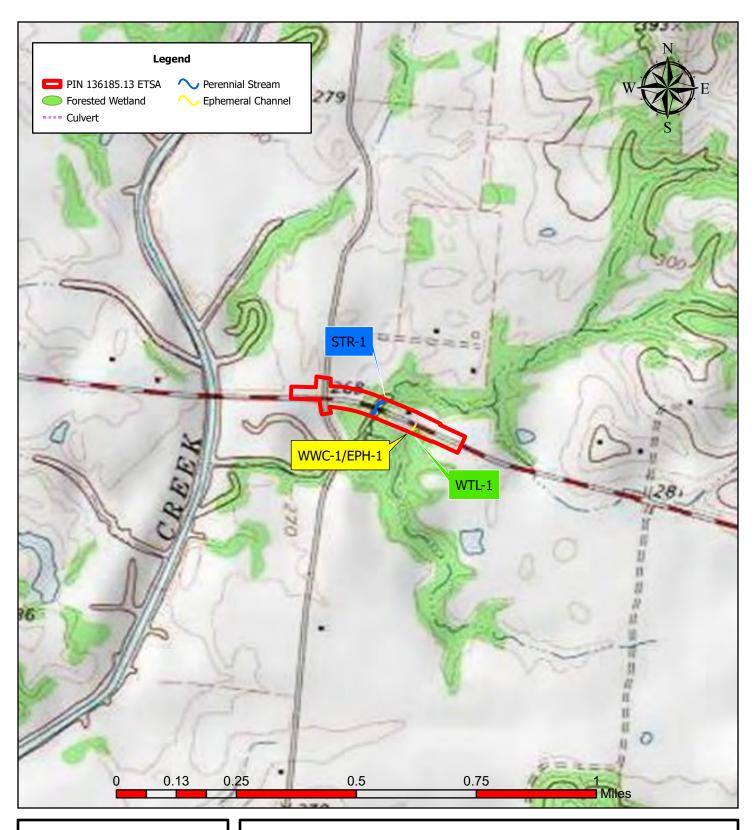


Figure 1: Vicinity Map Lauderdale County, R4 Timber Bridge Bundle - Bridge 51

ESRI World Street Map Basemap July 7, 2025

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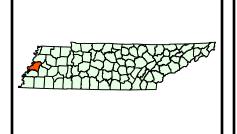
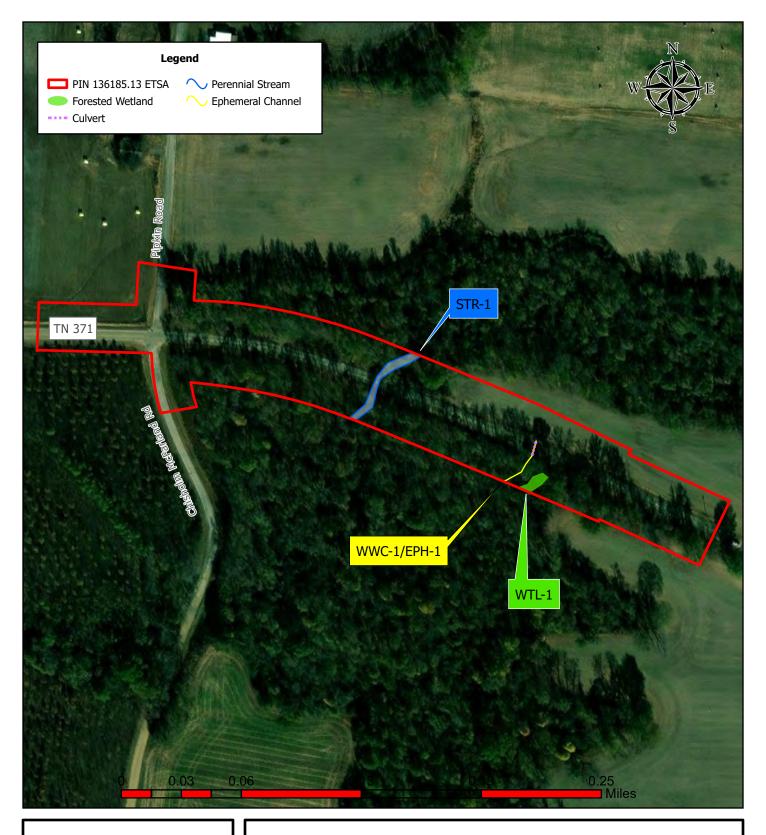


Figure 2: Water Resources Topographic Map Lauderdale County, R4 Timber Bridge Bundle - Bridge 51

Gates, TN USGS Quadrangle July 7, 2025

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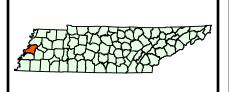


Figure 3: Water Resources Aerial Map Lauderdale County, R4 Timber Bridge Bundle - Bridge 51

2022 Maxar Vivid Standard Imagery July 7, 2025

PIN 136185.13



Project Name:	Lauderdale County SR-87		PIN:	136185.13
	R4 Timber Bridge Bundle Project			
		Water Resou	urce Table for	NEPA Documentation
		Based on:	ETSA	
		Date:	5/23/2025	

Table Amounts are based on (choose only one): Estimated extent of resource within ETSA

	Water Resources (Non-Wetland)											
Label	Туре	Latitude	Longitude	Receiving Waters	Quality	Amount	Amount					
Label				Receiving waters	Quanty	(Linear Feet)	(Acres)					
STR-1	Perennial Stream	35.674721	-89.684265	Cane Creek	Unassessed	219	0.06					
WWC-1/UDF-1	Wet Weather Conveyance/Upland Drainag	35.674221	-89.683131	Cane Creek	Not Applicable	125	0.00					
	•	•	•	•	Total:	344	0.06					

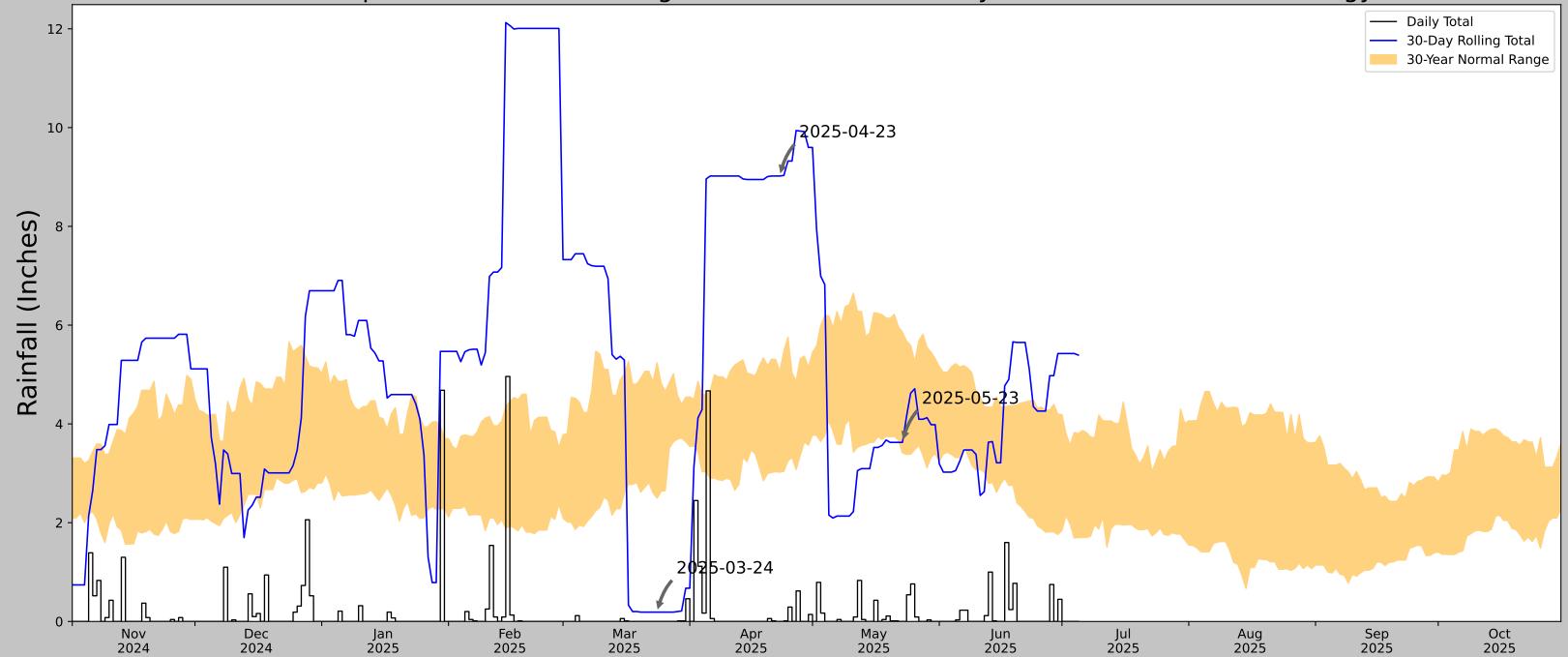
Note-Features and estimated amounts referenced in this table are based on information available and may change as the project is further refined throughout project development.

	Water Resources (Wetland)*											
Label	Туре	Latitude	Longitude	Receiving Waters	Quality	Amount (Acres)						
WTL-1	Forested	35.674108	-89.683061	Cane Creek	Low Resource Value	0.03						
					Total:**	0.03						

*Unless described otherwise in the NEPA document, all wetlands are presumed to serve the following functions, to varying degrees, based on location: wildlife habitat, flood storage, groundwater recharge, nutrient processing, contaminant filtering, and recreation.

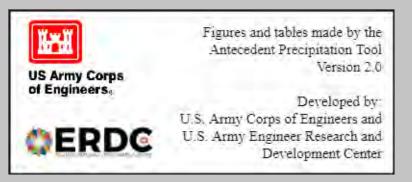
**For the purposes of the NEPA document, Amount is assumed to be Permanent Loss.

Antecedent Precipitation vs Normal Range based on NOAA's Daily Global Historical Climatology Network



Coordinates	35.674615, -89.684194
Observation Date	2025-05-23
Elevation (ft)	259.845
Drought Index (PDSI)	Mild wetness
WebWIMP H ₂ O Balance	Wet Season

30 Days Ending	30 th %ile (in)	70 th %ile (in)	Observed (in)	Wetness Condition	Condition Value	Month Weight	Product
2025-05-23	3.412205	5.859843	3.625984	Normal	2	3	6
2025-04-23	3.022047	5.055512	9.019685	Wet	3	2	6
2025-03-24	2.497244	5.238189	0.188976	Dry	1	1	1
Result	_		_				Normal Conditions - 13



Weather Station Name	Coordinates	Elevation (ft)	Distance (mi)	Elevation Δ	Weighted Δ	Days Normal	Days Antecedent
BLYTHEVILLE MUNI AP	35.9378, -89.8331	254.921	20.007	4.924	9.102	9328	89
BLYTHEVILLE 6.1 E	35.9496, -89.8179	253.937	1.178	0.984	0.531	27	1
BLYTHEVILLE 1.8 E	35.9371, -89.8926	258.858	3.329	3.937	1.511	10	0
BLYTHEVILLE 1.9 ENE	35.9427, -89.8926	258.858	3.346	3.937	1.519	8	0
BLYTHEVILLE	35.9239, -89.9044	251.969	4.103	2.952	1.858	1940	0
BLYTHEVILLE 0.9 NE	35.9421, -89.9128	259.843	4.468	4.922	2.033	14	0
KEISER	35.6744, -90.0842	223.097	23.004	31.824	11.084	24	0
DYERSBURG MUNI AP	36.0003, -89.4094	299.869	24.083	44.948	11.92	1	0
DYERSBURG	35.9986, -89.4089	299.869	24.09	44.948	11.923	1	0

Ecology Field Data Sheet: Water Resources

Project: PN136185.13																
Biologist: I. Malo	donado / L. Nive	n A	ffil	liati	on:	Ath	nena EE		[Date:				5/23/2025	5	
1-Station : from plans																
2-Map label and name	LM 1.39 / STR	:-1														
3-Latitude/Longitude	35.674721, -89	5.674721, -89.684265														
4-Feature description:																
-channel identification	perennial strea	perennial stream														
-HD score (if applicable)	28.50															
-OHWM indicators	bed & banks	√		depo	sition		presence debris	e of litter		scour				veg absen matted	it, bent,	\checkmark
	change in plant community	t √			uction of strial veg		multiple flow eve			sedime	nt sort	ing	√	water stai	ning	
	change in soil character	√		leaf li or ab	tter disturb sent		natural l impressed			shelvir	g			wracking		
-channel bottom width	10'			_			-top of	bank wi	dth		20'					
-width and max depth at ordinary high water mark	11' and	1'														
-width at bankfull	11'															
-bank height	LDB - 4'							RDB ·	- 4'							
-riffle/pool complex or other specialized habitat present?	N/A															
-dominant riparian species:	LDB: fraxinu	s pen	nsy	ylvan	ica											
(LDB /RDB)	RDB: grasse	s														
-particle size distribution %	Silt/Sand: 55	5		Grav	/el: 20		Cobble:	25		Boulder	:			Bedrock: 0		
5-photo numbers	1-4		-		-											
6-HUC -8 Code & Name	08010208 - Lov	ver Ha	tchi	ie												
7-Assessed	yes				no		\checkmark									
8-ETW	yes				no		✓									
9-303 (d) List	yes				siltation			habita	at:				other	:		
	no		✓													
10-Notes																



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Hydrologic Determination Field Data Sheet

Tennessee Division of Water Resources, Version 1.5 (Fillable Form)

Named Waterbody:UNT to Cane Creek	Date/Time: 5/23
Assessors/Affiliation: I. Maldonado / L. Niven	Project ID :
Site Name/Description:HWY 371 Bridge Repair over Branch	136185.13
Site Location: STR-1 (LM 1.39)	
HUC (12 digit): 080102080702 - Cane Creek Lower	Latitude: 35.674721
Previous Rainfall (7-days) : 2.87"	Longitude: -89.684265
Precipitation this Season vs. Normal : source of recent & seasonal precip. data :	A / weather.gov
Watershed Size : 0.45 sq. mi.	County: Lauderdale
Soil Type(s) / Geology : Mo - Morganfield silt loam, occasionally flooded	Source: Web Soil Survey
Surrounding Land Use : forested / agricultural	
Degree of historical alteration to natural channel morphology & hydrolog Slight	yy (select one & describe fully in Notes):

Primary Field Indicators Observed

Primary Indicators	NO	YES
Hydrologic feature exists solely due to a process discharge	✓	WWC
2. Defined bed and bank absent, vegetation composed of upland and FACU species		WWC
3. Watercourse dry anytime during February through April 15th, under normal precipitation / groundwater conditions		WWC
4. Daily flow and precipitation records showing feature only flows in direct response to rainfall	✓	WWC
 Presence of multiple populations of obligate lotic organisms with ≥ 2 month aquatic phase 	√	Stream
6. Presence of fish (except Gambusia)	√	Stream
7. Presence of naturally occurring ground water table connection		Stream
8. Flowing water in channel and 7 days since last precip >0.1" in local watershed	√	Stream
Evidence watercourse has been used as a supply of drinking water	✓	Stream

NOTE: If any Primary Indicators 1-9 = "Yes", then no further investigation is necessary. However, assessors may choose to score secondary indicators as supporting evidence.

In the absence of a primary indicator, or other definitive evidence, complete the secondary indicator table on page 2 of this sheet, and provide score below.

Guidance for the interpretation and scoring of both the primary & secondary indicators is provided in TDEC-DWR Guidance For Making Hydrologic Determinations, Version 1.5

Overall Hydrologic Determination = STREAM	
Secondary Indicator Score (if applicable) = 28.50	
Justification / Notes :	
main stream in project. great amount of riprap reenforcement at bridge piers, creates low flow. slow runs and pools up	and
downstream of bridge	
slight turbidity up and downstream of bridge	

Secondary Field Indicator Evaluation

A. Geomorphology (Subtotal = 11.50	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
Continuous bed and bank	0	1	2	3	3
2. Sinuous channel	0	1	2	3	1
3. In-channel structure: riffle-pool sequences	0	1	2	3	1
4. Sorting of soil textures or other substrate	0	1	2	3	2
5. Active/relic floodplain	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.25
6. Depositional bars or benches	0	1	2	3	1.5
7. Braided channel	0	1	2	3	0
8. Recent alluvial deposits	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.75
9. Natural levees	0	1	2	3	0
10. Headcuts	0	1	2	3	0
11. Grade controls	0	0.5	1	1.5	1
12. Natural valley or drainageway	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
13. At least second order channel on existing USGS or NRCS map	0	1	2	3	1

B. Hydrology (Subtotal = 10.00	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
14. Subsurface flow/discharge into channel	0	1	2	3	3
15. Water in channel and >48 hours since sig. rain	0	1	2	3	3
16. Leaf litter in channel	1.5	1	0.5	0	1.5
17. Sediment on plants or on debris	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.5
18. Organic debris lines or piles (wrack lines)	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.5
19. Hydric soils in channel bed or sides of channel	No:	= 0	Yes	= 1.5	1.5

C. Biology (Subtotal = 7.00	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
20. Fibrous roots in channel bed ¹	3	2	1	0	3
21. Rooted plants in the thalweg ¹	3	2	1	0	3
22. Crayfish in stream (exclude in floodplain)	0	1	2	3	0
23. Bivalves/mussels	0	1	2	3	0
24. Amphibians	0	0.5	1	1.5	1
25. Macrobenthos (record type & abundance)	0	1	2	3	0
26. Filamentous algae; periphyton	0	1	2	3	0
27. Iron oxidizing bacteria/fungus	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
28. Wetland plants in channel bed ²	0	0.5	1	1.5	0

¹ Focus is on the presence of terrestrial plants.

Total Points =	28.50

Under Normal Conditions, Watercourse is a Wet Weather Conveyance if Secondary Indicator Score < 19 points

Notes:

riprap / rooted trees across channel downstream of bridge act as grade controls
pools created because of rip rap
frogs observed

² Focus is on the presence of aquatic or wetland plants.

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1-Station: from plans	S																	
2-Map label and nai	me	LM 1.39 / WW	C-1 /	ΕP	H-1													
3-Latitude/Longitud	de	35.674221, -89	9.683	131														
4-Feature descriptio	n:																	
-channel identification		perennial strea	m			intermitte	nt stre	am [ephem	eral	stream			wwc			√
-HD score (if applicable)		10.50																
-OHWM indicators		bed & banks	V		deposition			preser debris	sence of litter			scour			✓	veg abse matted	nt, bent,	
		change in plant community				ruction of strial veg		multip flow ev				sedime	ent s	orting		water sta	ining	
		change in soil character			leaf li or ab	itter disturb sent		natura impress				shelvin	ng			wracking		
-channel bottom width		1'						-top	of b	ank wid	th		2'					
-width and max depth at ordinary high water mai	rk	1' and 0.2'																
-width at bankfull		1'																
-bank height		LDB - 1' RDB - 1'																
-riffle/pool complex or o specialized habitat pres		N/A	N/A															
-dominant riparian spec	ies:	LDB: fraxinus	s per	nns	ylvan	ica												
(LDB /RDB)	-	RDB: Acer sp)															
-particle size distribution	า %	Silt/Sand: 10	00		Grav	vel:		Cobble	:			Boulder	:			Bedrock:	0	
5-photo numbers		5-6, 11-12																
6-HUC -8 Code & Nam	е	08010208 - Lov	ver Ha	atch	ie													
7-Assessed		yes				no		✓										
8-ETW		yes				no		✓										_
9-303 (d) List	ļ	yes				siltation				habitat	:				othe	r:		
		no		✓														
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Site Name/Description: HWY 371 Bridge Repair over Branch		136185.13
Site Location: WWC-1 / EPH-1 (LM 1.39)		
HUC (12 digit): 080102080702 - Cane Creek Lower	Latitude: 35.674	221
Previous Rainfall (7-days) : 2.87"	Longitude: -89.683	3131
Precipitation this Season vs. Normal : average NOA	OV	
Watershed Size : <2.0 sq. mi.	County: Lauderda	le
Soil Type(s) / Geology: LoC3 - Loring silt loam, 5 to 8 percent slopes, severely eroded	Source: Web Soil	Survey
Surrounding Land Use : forested / agricultural		
Degree of historical alteration to natural channel morphology & hydrolog Moderate	gy (select one & desc	cribe fully in Notes) :

Primary Field Indicators Observed

Primary Indicators	NO	YES
Hydrologic feature exists solely due to a process discharge	✓	WWC
2. Defined bed and bank absent, vegetation composed of upland and FACU species	√	WWC
3. Watercourse dry anytime during February through April 15th, under normal precipitation / groundwater conditions		WWC
4. Daily flow and precipitation records showing feature only flows in direct response to rainfall	✓	WWC
 Presence of multiple populations of obligate lotic organisms with ≥ 2 month aquatic phase 	✓	Stream
6. Presence of fish (except Gambusia)	√	Stream
7. Presence of naturally occurring ground water table connection	√	Stream
8. Flowing water in channel and 7 days since last precip >0.1" in local watershed	√	Stream
Evidence watercourse has been used as a supply of drinking water	√	Stream

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Overall Hydrologic Determination = WET WEATHER CONVEYANCE
Secondary Indicator Score (if applicable) = 10.50

	10.50
Justification / Notes :	
ephemeral drainage that starts along north side of	HWY 371 at culvert. directed flow through culvert and down forested hillslope
weak channel	
minor sorting / no flow	

Secondary Field Indicator Evaluation

A. Geomorphology (Subtotal = 5.25	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
Continuous bed and bank	0	1	2	3	1
2. Sinuous channel	0	1	2	3	1.5
3. In-channel structure: riffle-pool sequences	0	1	2	3	1
4. Sorting of soil textures or other substrate	0	1	2	3	1.5
5. Active/relic floodplain	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
6. Depositional bars or benches	0	1	2	3	0
7. Braided channel	0	1	2	3	0
8. Recent alluvial deposits	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
9. Natural levees	0	1	2	3	0
10. Headcuts	0	1	2	3	0
11. Grade controls	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
12. Natural valley or drainageway	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.25
13. At least second order channel on existing USGS or NRCS map	0	1	2	3	0

B. Hydrology (Subtotal = 1.25	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
14. Subsurface flow/discharge into channel	0	1	2	3	0
15. Water in channel and >48 hours since sig. rain	0	1	2	3	0
16. Leaf litter in channel	1.5	1	0.5	0	1
17. Sediment on plants or on debris	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
18. Organic debris lines or piles (wrack lines)	0	0.5	1	1.5	0.25
19. Hydric soils in channel bed or sides of channel	No :	= 0	Yes	= 1.5	0

C. Biology (Subtotal = 4.00	Absent	Weak	Moderate	Strong	
20. Fibrous roots in channel bed ¹	3	2	1	0	2
21. Rooted plants in the thalweg ¹	3	2	1	0	2
22. Crayfish in stream (exclude in floodplain)	0	1	2	3	0
23. Bivalves/mussels	0	1	2	3	0
24. Amphibians	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
25. Macrobenthos (record type & abundance)	0	1	2	3	0
26. Filamentous algae; periphyton	0	1	2	3	0
27. Iron oxidizing bacteria/fungus	0	0.5	1	1.5	0
28. Wetland plants in channel bed ²	0	0.5	1	1.5	0

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Total Points =	10.50

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otes :								
detritus / silt substrate								

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region

See ERDC/EL TR-10-20; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 9/30/2027 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT: (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: PN136185.13	City/County: Lauderdale	Sampling Date: 5/23/2025		
Applicant/Owner: JMT / TDOT		State: TN Sampling Point: WTL-1_W		
Investigator(s): I. Maldonado / L. Niven	Section, Township, Range:			
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Forested I		one): concave Slope (%): 2		
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR P, MLRA 1				
Soil Map Unit Name: LoC3 - Loring silt loam		NWI classification: PFO		
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	e typical for this time of year? Yes X	No (If no, explain in Remarks.)		
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro	logy significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circ	rcumstances" present? Yes X No		
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydro		ain any answers in Remarks.)		
	site map showing sampling point location			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes X No Is the Sampled Area			
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes X No within a Wetland?	Yes <u>X</u> No		
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes X No	_		
Sparsely vegetated concave wetland located	d in wooded area between toe-of-slope of roadway and l	bermed hill.		
HYDROLOGY				
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	<u></u>	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)		
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is requi		Surface Soil Cracks (B6)		
X Surface Water (A1)		X Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)		
X High Water Table (A2)	Marl Deposits (B15) (LRR U)	Drainage Patterns (B10)		
X Saturation (A3)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)		
Water Marks (B1)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)		
Sediment Deposits (B2)		X Crayfish Burrows (C8)		
Drift Deposits (B3)	Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)		
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5)		X Geomorphic Position (D2) Shallow Aquitard (D3)		
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7	Other (Explain in Remarks)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)		
X Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	,	Sphagnum Moss (D8) (LRR T, U)		
Field Observations:	_			
Surface Water Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches): 1			
Water Table Present? Yes X	No Depth (inches): 4			
Saturation Present? Yes X		ydrology Present? Yes X No		
(includes capillary fringe)				
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mo	onitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if ava	ailable:		
Remarks:				
receives runoff from roadside high water table				
ing. Nata table				

VEGETATION (Five Strata) – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: WTL-1_W Absolute Dominant Indicator <u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: 30 % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Quercus nigra 30 Yes FAC **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)

3	_				Total Number of Dominant		
4					Species Across All Strata:	2	_(B)
5. 6.	_				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	100.0%	_(A/B)
		30	=Total Cover		Prevalence Index worksheet:		_
50% of total cover:	15	20%	% of total cover:	6	Total % Cover of:	Multiply by:	
Sapling Stratum (Plot size: 30)					OBL species x	1 =	
1. Fraxinus pennsylvanica		15	Yes	FACW	FACW species x	2 =	
2.					FAC species x	3 =	
3.					FACU species x	4 =	
4.						5 =	
5.					Column Totals: (A)	<u></u>	(B)
6.					Prevalence Index = B/A =	<u> </u>	
		15	=Total Cover		Hydrophytic Vegetation Indica	tors:	
50% of total cover:	8	20%	6 of total cover:	3	1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophyt	ic Vegetation	
Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 30)					X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%	ı	
1					3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0°	I	
2.					Problematic Hydrophytic Veg	getation ¹ (Expla	ain)
3.					<u> </u>		
4.	_						
5.					¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetl	and hydrology	must ha
6.	_				present, unless disturbed or prob		must be
			=Total Cover		Definitions of Five Vegetation		
50% of total cover:	_	20%	- % of total cover:		Tree – Woody plants, excluding		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 30)		_			approximately 20 ft (6 m) or more		3 in.
Toxicodendron radicans		3	No	FAC	(7.6 cm) or larger in diameter at	breast height ([OBH).
2.	_				Sapling – Woody plants, excludi	na woody vines	
3.	_				approximately 20 ft (6 m) or more		
Δ					than 3 in. (7.6 cm) DBH.		
5.					Shrub - Woody Plants, excluding	a woody vines.	
6					approximately 3 to 20 ft (1 to 6 m		
7					1		
8	_				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woo herbaceous vines, regardless of		
9	_				plants, except woody vines, less		
10.					ft (1 m) in height.		
11.	_				Woody Vine - All woody vines,	regardless of he	eight.
···		3	=Total Cover			3	J
50% of total cover:	_		6 of total cover:	1			
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30)		_ 207	o or total cover.				
3							
2							
3.							
4.							
5			Tatal Carre		Hydrophytic		
F00/ -{/	_	000	=Total Cover		Vegetation	No	
50% of total cover:			% of total cover:		Present? Yes X	No	
Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptati	ions t	pelow.)					

Forested hillslope. One large Quercus nigra in center of wl

SOIL Sampling Point: WTL-1_W

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)										
Depth	Matrix		Redox	c Featur	es					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks		
0-1	5Y 4/1	90	7.5YR 5/8	10	С	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
1-6	5Y 5/1	80	7.5YR 5/8	20	С	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
6-18	5Y 5/1	60	10YR 4/2	20	RM		Loamy/Clayey	Mottles		
			7.5YR 5/8	20	С	<u>M</u>		Prominent redox concentrations		
1 0 0							21			
	oncentration, D=Deple					d Grains.		PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.		
-	Indicators: (Applicat	ole to all			-	6 T II)		for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :		
Histosol			Thin Dark Su			-		luck (A9) (LRR O)		
Black Hi	oipedon (A2)		Barrier Island (MLRA 15			12)		luck (A10) (LRR S) Prairie Redox (A16) (MLRA 149A)		
	n Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Muck		•	PP (1)		ed Vertic (F18)		
	I Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleye			.KK O)		ide MLRA 150A, 150B)		
		T II\								
	Bodies (A6) (LRR P, cky Mineral (A7) (LRI	-	X Depleted Ma					ont Floodplain Soils (F19) (LRR P, T) lous Bright Floodplain Soils (F20)		
	esence (A8) (LRR U)	X P, 1, U)	Depleted Dai		` '			A 153B)		
·	ick (A9) (LRR P, T)		Redox Depre				•	rent Material (F21)		
	Below Dark Surface	(/11)	Marl (F10) (L		(10)					
	ark Surface (A12)	(A11)	Depleted Oc	-	1) /MI D	\ 151\	Very Shallow Dark Surface (F22)			
	rairie Redox (A16) (M	I DA 1507					(outside MLRA 138, 152A in FL, 154) (O, P, T) Other (Explain in Remarks)			
	nosulfide (A18)	LIVA 130A	Umbric Surfa				Other (Explain in Remarks)		
	lucky Mineral (S1) (LF	2R O S)	Delta Ochric			-				
	eleyed Matrix (S4)	(i(0, 0)	Reduced Ver			-	50B)			
	edox (S5)		Piedmont Flo				-			
	Matrix (S6)		Anomalous E				-			
	face (S7) (LRR P, S,	T. U)	(MLRA 14	-				ors of hydrophytic vegetation and		
	e Below Surface (S8)	-	Very Shallow		-			and hydrology must be present,		
	S, T, U)		(MLRA 13				unless disturbed or problematic.			
	_ayer (if observed):		(-,		,				
Type:	,									
Depth (ir	nches):						Hydric Soil Prese	ent? Yes X No		
Remarks:										
							•	n the hydric soil definition: "a soil that anaerobic conditions in the upper part".		
		,	3 - 1 3 - 3	3	3 '	3 -	3			

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region

See ERDC/EL TR-10-20; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-0024, Exp: 9/30/2027 Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT: (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

Project/Site: PN136185.13	City/County: Lauderd	lale Sampling Date: 5/23/2025			
Applicant/Owner: JMT / TDOT		State: TN Sampling Point: WTL-1_U			
Investigator(s): I. Maldonado / L. Niven	r(s): I. Maldonado / L. Niven Section, Township, Range:				
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): hillside	Local relief (concave, convex	x, none): convex Slope (%): 0			
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR P, MLRA 13		-89.682832 Datum: NAD 1983			
Soil Map Unit Name: LoC3 - Loring silt loam,		NWI classification:			
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site	typical for this time of year? Yes X	No (If no, explain in Remarks.)			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrold	ogy significantly disturbed? Are "Normal	Circumstances" present? Yes X No			
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrold		explain any answers in Remarks.)			
<u> </u>		tions, transects, important features, etc.			
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes No X Is the Sampled Area				
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes No X within a Wetland?	Yes No_X_			
	Yes No X				
HYDROLOGY					
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)			
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is require		Surface Soil Cracks (B6)			
Surface Water (A1)	Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)			
High Water Table (A2) Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15) (LRR U)	Drainage Patterns (B10)			
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	Moss Trim Lines (B16) Dry-Season Water Table (C2)			
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	Crayfish Burrows (C8)			
Drift Deposits (B3)	Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)			
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Geomorphic Position (D2)			
Iron Deposits (B5)	Other (Explain in Remarks)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)			
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7))	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)			
Water-Stained Leaves (B9)		Sphagnum Moss (D8) (LRR T, U)			
Field Observations:					
Surface Water Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):				
Water Table Present? Yes	No X Depth (inches):				
	No X Depth (inches): Wetland	d Hydrology Present? Yes No _X			
(includes capillary fringe)					
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, mor	nitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if	available:			
Remarks:					
No hydrology					

VEGETATION (Five Strata) – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: WTL-1_U Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: ____30 ___) % Cover Species? **Dominance Test worksheet:** Status 1. **Number of Dominant Species** 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Species Across All Strata: 3 (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 66.7% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: =Total Cover Total % Cover of: ____ 50% of total cover: 20% of total cover: Sapling Stratum (Plot size: 30) OBL species x 1 = ____ Quercus velutina FACW species __ x 2 = ____ 2. FAC species x 3 = FACU species 3. x 4 = x 5 = 4. UPL species Column Totals: (A) 5. (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = 3 =Total Cover **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 50% of total cover: 20% of total cover: 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 30 X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. =Total Cover **Definitions of Five Vegetation Strata:** 50% of total cover: 20% of total cover: Tree - Woody plants, excluding woody vines, approximately 20 ft (6 m) or more in height and 3 in. 30) Herb Stratum (Plot size: (7.6 cm) or larger in diameter at breast height (DBH). UPL Elymus glabriflorus Yes 2. Toxicodendron radicans 5 Yes FAC Sapling - Woody plants, excluding woody vines, approximately 20 ft (6 m) or more in height and less 5 3. Smilax rotundifolia Yes FAC than 3 in. (7.6 cm) DBH. 4. 5. Shrub - Woody Plants, excluding woody vines, approximately 3 to 20 ft (1 to 6 m) in height. 6. 7. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, including herbaceous vines, regardless of size, and woody 8. plants, except woody vines, less than approximately 3 9. ft (1 m) in height. Woody Vine - All woody vines, regardless of height. 15 =Total Cover 50% of total cover: 8 20% of total cover: 3 Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30) Hydrophytic =Total Cover Vegetation 20% of total cover: Present? Yes X 50% of total cover: No

No wetland vegetation.

Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptations below.)

SOIL Sampling Point: WTL-1_U

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe t	o the dept	h needed to docu	ment tl	he indica	ator or co	onfirm the absence	e of indic	ators.)	
Depth	Matrix			Featur						
(inches)	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture		Rem	narks
0-3	10YR 4/3	100					Loamy/Clayey	_		
3-18	10YR 5/4	100					Loamy/Clayey			
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Depl	etion, RM=	Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mas	ked Sand	Grains.	2Location:	PL=Por	e Lining, M=	Matrix.
	ndicators: (Applica									dric Soils ³ :
Histosol ((A1)		Thin Dark Su	rface (S	9) (LRR	S, T, U)	1 cm	Muck (A9) (LRR O)	
Histic Ep	ipedon (A2)		Barrier Island	ls 1 cm	Muck (S	12)	2 cm	Muck (A1	0) (LRR S)	
Black His	` '		(MLRA 15		-		Coas	t Prairie F	Redox (A16)	(MLRA 149A)
	n Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Muck			.RR O)		ced Verti	` '	
	Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleye				•		RA 150A, 15	,
	Bodies (A6) (LRR P,		Depleted Mat							(F19) (LRR P, T)
	cky Mineral (A7) (LR esence (A8) (LRR U)		Redox Dark S Depleted Dar		` '			.RA 153E	•	in Soils (F20)
	ck (A9) (LRR P, T)		Redox Depre						nterial (F21)	
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Marl (F10) (L		(. 0)				Dark Surface	(F22)
	rk Surface (A12)	` ,	Depleted Och	-	1) (MLR	A 151)	(ou	tside ML	RA 138, 152	À in FL, 154)
Coast Pra	airie Redox (A16) (M	LRA 150A)	Iron-Mangan	ese Mas	sses (F12	2) (LRR (D , P , T) Other	(Explain	in Remarks)	
Iron Mon	osulfide (A18)		Umbric Surfa	ce (F13	3) (LRR F	P, T, U)				
	ucky Mineral (S1) (L	RR O, S)	Delta Ochric			-				
	eyed Matrix (S4)		Reduced Ver				-			
	edox (S5)		Piedmont Flo				-			
	Matrix (S6) face (S7) (LRR P, S ,	T 11\	Anomalous E	-			_	atora of h	v drophytio v	egetation and
	e Below Surface (S8)		(MLRA 149 Very Shallow		-				rology must	=
(LRR S	, ,	'	(MLRA 138						rbed or prob	
	ayer (if observed):		•	<u> </u>	<u> </u>				<u> </u>	
Type:	,									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Pres	sent?	Yes	NoX
Remarks:										
No hydric soil	S.									

Quantitative Rating

Metric 1. Wetland area (max 6 pts). Estimate the area of wetland and select the appropriate size class and assign score. Estimated areas should clearly place the wetland within the appropriate class.

6pts	>50 acres (west TN)	>25 acres (middle TN)	>10 acres (east TN *)	
5pts	25 - <50 acres (west TN)	10- 25 acres (middle TN)	7-<10 acres (east TN*)	
4pts	10 - <25 acres (west TN)	7-< 25acres (middle TN)	3-<7 acres (east TN*)	
3pts	3 - <10 acres(west TN)	3<7 acres (middle TN)	1-<3 acres (east TN)	
2pts	0.3 - <3 acres (west TN)	0.5- <3 acres (middle TN)	0.5-<1 acres (east TN)	
1pt	0.1 - <0.3 acres(west TN)	<0.5 acres (middle TN)	<0.5 acres (east TN)	Х

^{*}More applicable to West Tennessee; use with discretion in Middle Tennessee, Consult TDEC-DWR Natural Resources Unit for use in East Tennessee.

Table 2.	Table 2. Metric to English conversion table with visual estimation sizes.								
acres	ft²	yd^2	ft on side	yd on side	ha	m ²	m on side		
50	2,177,983	241,998	1476	492	20.2	202,000	449		
25	1,088,992	120,999	1044	348	10.1	101,000	318		
10	435,596	48,340	660	220	4.1	41,000	203		
3	130,679	14,520	362	121	1.2	12,000	110		
0.3	13,067	1,452	114	38	0.12	1,200	35		
0.1	4,356	484	66	22	0.04	400	20		

Metric 1 Total 1

Metric 2. Upland buffers and intensity of surrounding land uses (Max 14 points). Wetlands without upland "buffers", or that are located where human land use is more intensive, are often, but not always, more degraded and often have lower wildlife habitat resource value.

2a. Average Buffer Width (ABW). Calculate the average buffer width and select only one score. To calculate ABW, estimate buffer width on each side (max of 50m) and divide by the number of sides. Example: ABW of a wetland with buffers of 100m, 25m, 10m and 0m would be calculated as follows: $ABW = (50m + 25m + 10m + 0m)/4 = 21.25m$. Intensive land uses are not buffers, e.g. active row cropping, paved areas, housing developments, etc.					
7pts	WIDE. >50m (164ft) or more around perimeter.				
4pts	MEDIUM. 25m to <50m (82 to <164ft) around the perimeter.	Χ			
1pt	NARROW. 10m to <25m (32 to <82ft) around the perimeter.				
0pts	VERY NARROW. <10m (<32ft) around perimeter.				
2b. Intensity of predominant surrounding land use(s) Select one, or choose up to two and average score, for the intensity of the predominant land use(s) outside the wetland's buffer zone.					
7pts	VERY LOW. 2 nd growth or older forest, prairie, barren, wildlife area, etc.				
5pts	LOW. Old fallow field, shrub land, early successional young forest, etc.	Х			
3pts	MODERATELY HIGH. Residential, pasture, orchard, park, conservation tillage, mowed field, etc.	Х			
1pt	HIGH. urban, industrial, row cropping, mining, construction, etc.				

Metric 2 Total 8

Metric 3. Hydrology (Max 30 points). This metric evaluates the wetland's water budget, hydroperiod, the hydrologic connectivity of the wetland to other surface waters, and the degree to which the wetland's hydrology has been altered by human activity. A wetland can receive no more than 30 points for Metric 3 even though it is possible to score more than 30 points.

certain	rces of Water. Select all that apply and sum the score. This question relates to a wetland's water budget. It also is reflective that wetler types of water sources, or multiple water sources, e.g. high pH groundwater or perennial surface water connections, can be very high questions and values.	
5pts	High pH groundwater (7.5-9.0)	
3pts	Other groundwater	X
1pts	Precipitation	X
3pts	Seasonal surface water	
5pts	Perennial surface water (lake or stream)	
3b. Cor	nectivity. Select all that apply and sum score	
1pt	100 year floodplain. "Floodplain" is defined as "the relatively level land next to a stream or river channel that is submerged by flood waters. It is composed of alluvium deposited by the present stream or river when it floods." Where they available, flood insurance rate maps (FIRMs) and flood boundary and floodway maps may be used.	à
1pt	Between stream/lake and other human land use. This question asks whether the wetland is located <u>between</u> a surface water different adjacent land use, such that run-off from the adjacent land use could flow through wetland before it discharges into surface water buffering it. "Different adjacent land uses" include agricultural, commercial, industrial, mining, or residential uses.	
1pt	Part of a larger wetland or upland complex. This question asks whether the wetland is in physical proximity to, or a part of othe nearby wetland or upland habitat areas.	
1pt	Part of riparian corridor.	
greatest	simum water depth. Select only one and assign score. The evaluator <i>does not</i> need to actually observe the wetland when its water depth in order to award the maximum points for this question. The use of secondary indicators, as outlined in the 1987 Manual will be usefung this question.	
3 pts	>0.7m (27.6in)	
2pts	0.4 to 0.7m (15.7 to 27.6in)	
1pt	<0.4m (<15.7in)	Х
	ration of inundation/saturation. Select one or double check and average the scores if duration is uncertain. The use of ACOE 1987 by indicators is necessary and expected in order to properly answer this question.	Manual
4pts	Semi-permanently to permanently inundated or saturated	
3pts	Regularly inundated or saturated	
2pts	Seasonally inundated	
1pt	Seasonally saturated in the upper 30cm (12in) of soil	Χ

3e. Modifications to natural hydrologic regime. Check all observable modifications from list below. Score by selecting the most appropriate description of the wetland. Scores may be double checked and averaged. This question asks the evaluator to assess the "intactness" of, or lack of disturbance to, the natural hydrologic regime of the type of wetland that is being evaluated.

Once the evaluator has listed all possible past and ongoing disturbances, the evaluator should check the most appropriate category to describe the present state of the wetland. In instances where the evaluator believes that a wetland falls between two categories, or where the evaluator is uncertain as to which category is appropriate, it is appropriate to choose more than one and average the score.

The evaluator may check one or several of these possible disturbances, yet still determine that the natural hydrologic regime is intact. However, see Metric 4 where these same disturbances may be habitat alterations.

Check all that are observed present in or near the wetland.

ditch(es), in or near the wetland		point source discharges to the (non-stormwater)	
tile(s), in or near the wetland		filling/grading activities in or near the wetland	
dike(s), in or near the wetland		road beds/RR beds in or near the wetland	
weir(s), in or near the wetland		dredging activities in or near the wetland	
stormwater inputs (addition of water)		other (specify)	

Have any of the disturbances identified above caused or appear to have caused	YES	<u>NO</u>	NOT SURE
more than trivial alterations to the wetland's natural hydrologic regime.	Assign a score 1, 3 or 7, or an intermediate score, depending on degree of recovery from the disturbance.	Assign a score of 12 since there are no or no apparent modifications.	Choose "recovered" and assign a score of 9.5.

Select one or double check adjoining numbers and average the score.		score
12pts	NONE OR NONE APPARENT. There are no modifications or no modifications that are apparent to the evaluator.	
7pts	RECOVERED. The wetland appears to have recovered from past modifications.	Х
3pts	RECOVERING. The wetland appears to be in the process of recovering from past modifications.	X
1pt	RECENT OR NO RECOVERY. The modifications have occurred recently occurred, and/or the wetland has not recovered from past modifications, and/or the modifications are ongoing.	

Metric 4. Habitat Alteration and Development (Max 20 points). While hydrology may be the single most important determinant for the establishment and maintenance of specific types of wetlands and wetland processes, there is a range of other factors and activities which affect wetland quality and cause disturbances to wetlands that are unrelated to hydrology. These disturbances are termed "habitat alteration." In many instances, items checked as hydrologic disturbances in Question 3e will present as alterations to a wetland's habitat or disruptions in its development (successional state). In some instances, a disturbance may be appropriately considered under both Metric 3 and Metric 4. To determine the appropriate metric scores, the evaluator should carefully determine the actual cause of the disturbance to the wetland.

and average the soil and labels on the but not con- appropriate	rate/Soil Disturbance. Selege. This question evaluates plant disurface substrates of the whe scoring categories are intentrolling. In some instances, e to consider the scoring catebance continuum, from very ee.	physical disturbances to retland. Note also that the ended to be descriptive it may be more egories as fixed locations		amples of substrate/soil disturbance _filling and grading _plowing _grazing (hooves) _vehicle use (off-road vehicles, configedimentation _dredging, and other mechanical disturbance	nstruction vehicles)	oly):
disturb have ca	any of soil or substrate ances caused or appear to aused more than trivial ons to the wetland's soils	YES Assign a score 1, 2 or 3, or intermediate score, depending on degree or recovery from the disturbance.		NO Assign a score of 4 since there are no or no apparent modifications.	NOT SURE Choose "recovered" assign a score of 3.	
Select one	e or double check adjoining	g numbers and average the	scor	e .		
4pts	NONE OR NONE APPAR	ENT. There are no disturbate	nces o	or no disturbances apparent to the ev	valuator.	
3pts	RECOVERED. The wetlan	nd appears to have recovered	from	past disturbances.		Χ
2pts	RECOVERING. The wetla	and appears to be in the proc	ess of	recovering from past disturbances.		Χ
1pt		ERY. The disturbances have bances, and/or the disturbance		arred recently, and/or the wetland has e ongoing.	as not	
well-devel knowledge	loped the wetland is in comp	parison to other ecologically d the range in quality typica	and/o	tion asks the evaluator to assign an or hydrogeomorphically similar wet the region or access to data from refe	lands. This question presu	mes
7pts	EXCELLENT. Wetland ap	ppears to represent the best of	of its t	ype or class.		
6pts	VERY GOOD. Wetland ap which would make it excel		mple	of its type or class but is lacking in	characteristics	
5pts		to be a good example of its state, or other reasons, is not		or class but because of past or presentlent.	nt	
4pts	MODERATELY GOOD.	Wetland appears to be a fair	to go	od example of its type or class.		
3pts	FAIR. Wetland appears to disturbances, successional		ple of	its type or class but because of pas	t or present	X
2pts	POOR TO FAIR. Wetland	appears to be a poor to fair	exam	ple of its type or class.		
lpt	POOR. Wetland appears <u>n</u> successional state, etc.	ot to be a good example of i	ts typ	e or class because of past or present	t disturbances,	

4c. Habitat alteration. This question evaluates the "intactness" the natural habitat of the type of wetland that is being evaluated. This question does not discriminate between wetlands with different types of habitat. Check all possible alterations that are observed. All available information, field visits, aerial photos, maps, etc. can be used to identify possible alterations. Evaluate whether the alteration is trivial in relation to the wetlands overall habitat. Select the most appropriate score that best describes the present state of the wetland. It is appropriate to "double check" and average scores. The evaluator may check one or several of these possible disturbances, yet still determine that the natural habitat is intact.

			Ch	eck all that are observe	ed prese	ent in or near the wetland				
			Mowing			Herbaceous layer/aquatic bed	removal			
			Grazing (cat	tle, horses, etc.)		Sedimentation				
			Clearcutting			Dredging				
			Selective cut	tting	Χ	Row-crop or orchard farming				
			Woody debr	is removal		Nutrient enrichment, e.g. nuis	sance algae			
			Toxic polluta	ants	Χ	Other (specify): roadway	У			
			Shrub/saplin	g removal		Other (specify):				
	Have any o identified a appeared to	bove cat	used or	YES Assign a score 1, 3 or	6, or	NO Assign a score of 9 since	NOT SU		ınd	
	trivial altera wetland's n	ations to	the	an intermediate scor depending on degree recovery from the disturbance.	re, of	there are no or no apparent modifications.	assign a sco	re of 6		
Selec	ct one score o	r doubl	e check adjoin	ing numbers and avera	ge the	score.			Scor	e
9pts	NONE	OR NO	NE APPAREN	T. There are no past or	current	alterations that are apparent to th	e evaluator.			
6pts	RECO	VERED.	. The wetland	appears to have recovere	d from p	past alterations.			Χ	
3pts	RECO	VERING	3. The wetland	d appears to be in the pro	cess of	recovering from past alterations.			Χ	
1pt				Y. The alterations have ne alterations are ongoing		ed recently, and/or the wetland h	as not recovered			

Metric 4 Total 10

Metric 5. Special wetland communities. Assign points in left column if the wetland meets the associated criteria below. Refer to Narrative Rating for guidance. If wetland scores over 30 points within Metric 5 further determination needed to assess if the wetland exhibits outstanding ecological or recreational values as discussed in the Narrative Rating Section.

5pts	> 10m ² , sphagnum or other moss or vernal pools	5pts	Superior fish, waterfowl, bat, or amphibian breeding habitat
10pts	Ecological community with global rank (NatureServe): G1 (10pts), G2 (5pts), G2/G3		Wetland contains and is a buffer for a headwater stream or
5pts	(3pts) or uncommon ecological resource in the ecoregion (habitat and/or species diversity, geology, wetland type, distribution/ occurrence)	5pts	wetland contains and is a buffer for a headwater stream or wetland contributes significantly to the water quality of a 303(d) listed stream and/or to surface or and/or ground water
3pts	(10 pts)		
10pts	Older-aged mature forested wetland avg. DBH >= 30 inches	10 pts	Supports species Deemed in Need of Management by TWRA or TN Special Concern by TDEC

Metric 5 Total 0

Metric 6. Vegetation, Interspersion, and Microtopography (Max 20 points). 6a. Wetland Vegetation Communities Check each community present both vertically and horizontally within the wetland with an area of at least 0.1 hectares or 1000m² (0.2471 acres). Assign a score of 0 to 3 using Table 3 for 1-4 or Table 5 for 5-6. Sum the scores for the classes present.	Score
1)Aquatic Bed Includes areas of wetlands dominated by plants that grow principally on or below the surface of the water for most of the growing season in most years. Floating aquatic species like duckweed (<i>Lemna</i> spp., <i>Spirodela</i> spp.) are excluded from definition of "aquatic bed." Aquatic beds often occur as a distinct zone as an "understory" below shrubs or trees.	0
2)Emergent Includes areas of wetlands dominated by erect, rooted, herbaceous hydrophytes, excluding mosses and lichens. This vegetation is present for most of the growing season in most years. Common names for emergent communities include marsh, wet meadow, wet prairie, sedge meadow, and fens.	1
3)Shrub Includes areas of wetlands dominated by woody vegetation less than 1m (3ft.) - 6m (20 ft) tall with a dbh of <3in. The plant species include true shrubs, young trees, or trees or shrubs that are small or stunted because of environmental conditions. Shrub wetlands may represent a successional stage leading to a forested wetland or they may be relatively stable plant communities.	0
4)Forested Includes wetlands or areas of wetlands characterized by woody vegetation greater than 6m (20ft) or taller. Forested wetlands have an overstory of trees and often contain an understory of young trees and shrubs and an herbaceous layer, although the young tree/shrub and herbaceous layers can be largely missing from some types of forested wetlands. Some forested wetlands are "vernal pools".	2
5)Mudflats The "mudflat" class is equivalent to the "unconsolidated bottom/mud" class/subclass (PUB ₃) described in Cowardin et al. (1979) and includes areas of wetlands characterized by exposed or shallowly inundated substrates with vegetative cover less than 30%.	0
6)Open water The "open water" class is equivalent to the "open water - unknown bottom" class in Cowardin et al. (1979) and includes areas that are 1) inundated, 2) un-vegetated, and 3) and "open", i.e. there is no "canopy" of any type of vegetation.	0

Table 3. Use this table to assign a cover score for Metric 6a to each of the vegetation communities identified on the preceding page. Refer to Table 4 for narrative description of "low," "moderate," and "high" quality.

Cover Scale	Description
0	The vegetation community is either 1) absent from wetland or 2) Comprises less than 0.1 ha (.2471 acres) of contiguous area within the wetland
1	Vegetation community is present and either, 1) comprises a significant part of the wetland's vegetation and is of low or moderate quality, or 2) if it comprises a significant part of the wetland's vegetation and is of low quality
2	Thee vegetation community is present and either, 1) comprises a significant part of the wetland's vegetation and is of moderate quality, or 2) the vegetation community comprises a small part of the wetland's vegetation but is of high quality
3	The vegetation community is of high quality and comprises a significant part, or more, of the wetland's vegetation

Table 4. Use this table in conjunction with Table 3 to determine what is a "low", "moderate," or "high" quality community.

Narrative	Description
Low	Low species richness and a predominance of invasive, non-native, or disturbance tolerant "weedy" species.
Moderate	Native species are the dominant component of the vegetation, although non-native or disturbance tolerant "weedy" species can also be present, and species richness is moderate to moderately high, but generally without the presence of rare, threatened, or endangered species.
High	A predominance of native species, with non-native species absent or virtually absent, and high species diversity and/or the presence of rare, threatened or endangered species.

Table 5. Mudflat and open water community cover scale.

0	Absent <0.1 ha (0.247 acres)
1	Low 0.1 to <1ha (0.247 to 2.47 acres)
2	Moderate 1 ha to < 4 ha (2.47 to 9.88 acres)
3	High 4 ha (9.88 acres) or more

6b. Ho Figure	rizontal (plan view) interspersion. Evaluate the wetland from a "plan view," i.e. as if the looking down upon it. See 1.	Score
5pts	HIGH Wetland has a high degree of interspersion	
4pts	MODERATELY HIGH Wetland has a moderately high degree of interspersion	
3pts	MODERATE Wetland has a moderate degree of interspersion	
2pts	MODERATELY LOW Wetland has a moderately low degree of interspersion	
1pt	LOW Wetland has a low degree of interspersion.	Χ
0pt	NONE Wetland has no plan view interspersion	

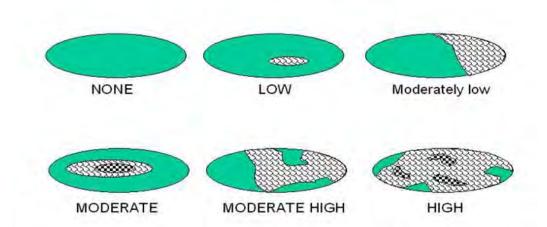


Figure 1. Hypothetical Wetlands for estimating degree of interspersion

	erage of Invasive Plant Species. Refer to Tennessee Exotic Pest Plant Council (http://www.tneppc.org/) for official list. nly one and assign score.	Score
-5pts	Extensive >75% areal cover of invasive species	
-3pts	Moderate 25-75% areal cover of invasive species	
-1pts	Sparse 5-25% areal cover of invasive species	
0pt	Nearly absent. <5% areal cover of invasive species	
1pt	Absent	Χ
	rotopography . Check each feature present in the wetland. Assign cover score of 0 to 3 using Table 6. Evaluate various pograhic habitat features often present in wetlands.	Score
Vegetate	ed hummocks and tussocks	0
Coarse v	woody debris >15cm (6in) in diameter	0
Standing	g dead trees >25cm (10in) diameter at breast height	0
	ian breeding habitat, e.g. vernal pools with standing water of sufficient duration and depth to support reproduction, or frog reproduction	0

Microtopographic habitat quality	Narrative description
0	Feature is absent or functionally absent from the wetland
1	Feature is present in the wetland in very small amounts or if more common, of low quality
2	Feature is present in moderate amounts, but not of highest quality or in small amounts of highest quality
3	Present in moderate or greater amounts and of the highest quality

Metric 6 Total 5

NON-HGM TRAM Summary Worksheet

Metric 1: Size	1
Metric 2: Buffers and surrounding land use	8
Metric 3: Hydrology	12
Metric 4: Habitat	10
Metric 5: Special Wetland Communities	0
Metric 6: Plant communities, interspersion, microtopography	5
TOTAL SCORE	36
	Metric 2: Buffers and surrounding land use Metric 3: Hydrology Metric 4: Habitat Metric 5: Special Wetland Communities Metric 6: Plant communities, interspersion, microtopography



Photo 1: STR-1 Downstream near Bridge #51



Photo 2: STR-2 Upstream under Bridge #51



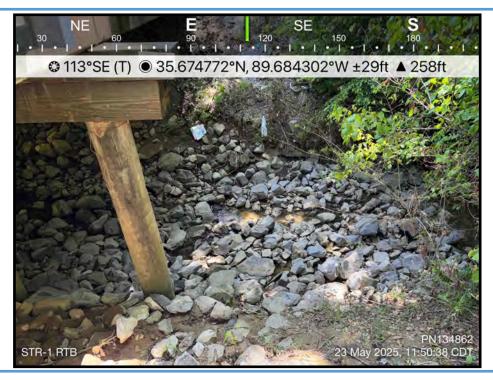


Photo 3: STR-1 Right top bank near Bridge #51

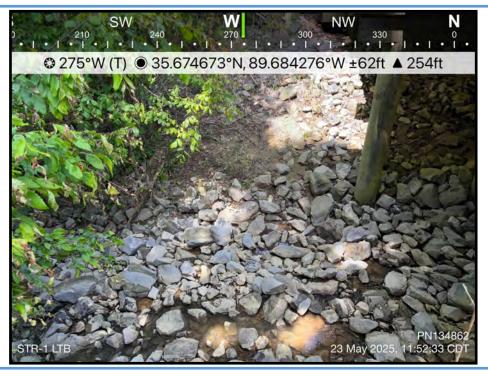


Photo 4: STR-1 Left top bank near Bridge #51





Photo 5: WWC-1/EPH-1 Downgradient



Photo 6: WWC-1/EPH-1 Upgradient





Photo 7: WTL-1



Photo 8: WTL-1





Photo 9: WTL-1 Wetland soil core



Photo 10: WTL-1 Upland soil core





Photo 11: 16" Culvert WWC-1/EPH-1 going under SR-371



Photo 12: 16" Culvert WWC-1/EPH-1 going under SR-371





Photo 13: Eastern end of study area facing West



Photo 14: Roadside ditch





[EXTERNAL] Re: IPaC delivered Official Species List for project: 134862.00, ETSA-Bridge over Branch, LM 1.39

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Will,

Thank you for your correspondence regarding the ETSA bridge replacement over Branch at LM 1.39 in Lauderdale County, Tennessee (PIN: 134862.00). You are requesting a list of federally threatened or endangered species that may be present in the project area.

A review of our database does not indicate that any federally listed or proposed species or designated critical habitat would be impacted by the project. Therefore, based on the best information available at this time, we believe that the requirements of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) are fulfilled for all species that currently receive protection under the ESA. Obligations under section 7 of the ESA should be reconsidered if (1) new information reveals impacts of the proposed action that may affect listed species or critical habitat in a manner not previously considered, (2) the proposed action is subsequently modified to include activities which were not considered during this consultation, or (3) new species are listed or critical habitat designated that might be affected by the proposed action.

This email will serve as our official project response. Please let me know if we can offer further assistance.

Thank you,

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Subject: IPaC delivered Official Species List for project: 134862.00, ETSA-Bridge over Branch, LM 1.39

To: IPaC point(s) of contact for Tennessee Ecological Services Field Office

Project Location: Lauderdale County, Tennessee

IPaC has delivered an official Section 7 species list on behalf of your office. For your convenience, IPaC has created an ETK project (2025-0089618) with a new associated 'Species List Provided' event. A PDF file of the species list document is attached to the event and contact information for the project can be found on the last page of the PDF.

IPaC has automatically set the Project status to "Closed". If you need to do any additional work in this project (e.g., add staff, add events, change lead office, etc.), you must first change the Project status to "active" so that you can edit the project. You can access the project via the link, above.

Lead FWS Office:

The Tennessee Ecological Services Field Office is currently designated as the lead office for Section 7 on this project. The following additional offices have jurisdiction and have been notified: None. If another office is the lead office on this project, please access the project (via the link above) and update it. IPaC will not reset the Lead Office once it has been updated by a biologist.

*Projects created in ETK by IPaC have not been assigned to an FWS staff member. To identify the staff assigned to this project, please access the project (via the link above) and add their name(s).

National Wildlife Refuges (NWR)

This project intersects known NWR lands. For more information, please see the attached document.

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May 21, 2025

Re: Lauderdale County Bridge replacement SR-371 LM 1.39 PIN 134862.00

Mr. William Methvin,

The Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency has reviewed the information that you provided regarding the subject project in Lauderdale County, Tennessee. Your letter to us requested comments by our agency regarding potential impacts to endangered species, wetlands, and other areas of concern as we may think pertinent due to the proposed project.

This project involves the proposed bridge replacement on SR-371 at LM 1.39 in Lauderdale County. The initial information provided by TDOT and the data I have reviewed and compared to the proposed project, conclude that the project is not anticipated to adversely affect any federally or state-listed Endangered, Threatened, or Deemed-In-Need-of-Management species. Based upon these understandings, TWRA does not anticipate adverse impacts upon listed species under our authority due to the project and we have no concerns or objection to the proposed project. Re-coordination will be required if new species records are found or if the proposed project plans incorporate critical habitat for listed species of concern.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposed project. If you have further questions regarding this matter; please contact me at (731) 431-0012.

Sincerely,

Casey Parker

West TN Transportation Biologist

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