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## Transmittal

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**Company:** Savage and Savage, Inc.  
**Project:** Cole Girvin G10-19, -29, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D  
**Phone:** 970-674-8080  
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**Date:** December 2, 2011

Attached for your files is the Nationwide Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers for the Cole Girvin G10-19, -29, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D site.

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November 22, 2011

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**RE: Noble Energy, Cole Girvin G10-19, -29, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D  
Well Pad, Nationwide Permit Request**

Mr. McKee:

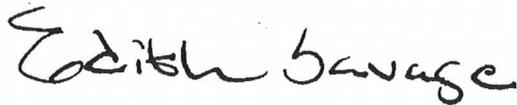
Savage and Savage, on behalf of Noble Energy, Inc., requests a nationwide Corps permit for construction of a portion of a drill pad and access in waters of the United States (wetlands). The proposed drill site is located approximately 0.25 miles northeast of Weld County Roads 43 and 48, and is accessed by taking U.S. Highway 85 south from Greeley to La Salle (Main Street), South on Main Street to Todd Avenue (Weld County Road 50), east on Weld County Road 50 for approximately 2.25 miles to Weld County Road 43, south on Weld County Road 43 to the intersection of County Roads 43 and 48, east on Weld County Road 48 for approximately 0.25 miles, then north onto an oil and gas access road. The latitude of the project site is 40.33388 degrees north and longitude is 104.64824 degrees west. The average elevation of the project site is 4672 feet. The site is located within the SW¼ of Section 3, Township 4 North, Range 65 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Prime Meridian, Weld County, Colorado (Wetland Delineation, Figure 1).

Proposed temporary disturbance will include construction of a drill pad for five oil and gas wells that is approximately 3.0 acres in total area. Permanent disturbance will include fenced well heads located on the drill pad remnant and a light use access road. The existing tank battery located to the southeast on an upland area will be expanded for this project.

A wetland delineation was conducted in order to determine the potential presence and extent of wetlands within and adjacent to the proposed drill pad and access. Wetlands were identified within and adjacent to the proposed drill pad location. Realignment of the proposed drill pad minimized disturbance to wetlands, with a remaining disturbance area of 0.08 acres of wetlands (Location Drawing, Figure 2).

If you have any questions or require further information about the Cole Girvan/Latham well pad nationwide permit request please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Edith Savage  
Principal

c: Matthew Verbit, Noble Energy, Inc.

attachments: Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad Waters of the United States Identification and Wetland Delineation, Weld County, Colorado

Location Drawing Cole Girvan G10-19, -29, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, OMAHA DISTRICT  
DENVER REGULATORY OFFICE, 9307 SOUTH WADSWORTH BOULEVARD  
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November 28, 2011

Ms. Edith Savage  
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RE: Noble Energy, Cole Grivin G10-19, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D Well Pad  
Nationwide Permit No. 18, Corps File No. NWO-2011-2562-DEN

Dear Ms. Savage:

Reference is made to the above-mentioned project on behalf of Noble Energy Inc., which will result in the filling of 0.08 acre of wetland located at 40.33528; -104.65274, Weld County, Colorado.

Based on the information provided, this office has determined that the work within Colorado is authorized by the **Department of the Army Nationwide Permit No. 18**, found in the March 12, 2007, Federal Register. Enclosed is a fact sheet, which fully describes this Nationwide Permit and lists the General Conditions, Section 404 Only Conditions, and Colorado Regional Conditions, which must be adhered to for this authorization to remain valid.

Although an Individual Department of the Army permit will not be required for this work, this does not eliminate the requirement that any other applicable Federal, state, tribal or local permits be obtained as required. Please be advised that deviations from the original plans and specifications of this project could require additional authorization from this office.

The applicant is responsible for all work accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of the nationwide permit. If a contractor or other authorized representative will be accomplishing the work authorized by the nationwide permit on behalf of the applicant, it is strongly recommended that they be provided a copy of this letter and the attached conditions so that they are aware of the limitations of the applicable nationwide permit. Any activity which fails to comply with all the terms and conditions of the nationwide permit will be considered unauthorized and subject to appropriate enforcement action.

**This verification is valid until the NWP is modified, reissued, or revoked. All of the existing NWPs are scheduled to be modified, reissued, or revoked prior to March 18, 2012. It is incumbent upon you to remain informed of changes to the NWPs. We will issue a public notice when the NWPs are reissued. Furthermore, if you commence or are under contract to commence this activity before the date that the relevant NWP is modified or revoked, you will have twelve (12) months from the date of the modification or revocation of the NWP to complete the activity under the present terms and conditions of this NWP. In compliance with general Condition 14, the attached "Certification of Completed Work" form (blue) must be signed and returned to this office upon completion of the authorized work and any required mitigation.**

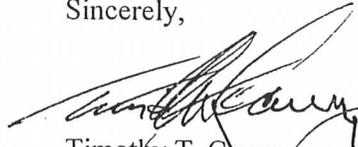
We have prepared a Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (JD) which is a written indication that wetlands and waterways within your project area may be Waters of the United States (attached). Such waters will be treated as jurisdictional Waters of the US for purposes of computation of impacts and compensatory mitigation requirements. If you concur with the findings of the Preliminary JD, please sign it and return it to the letterhead address within two weeks. If you believe the Preliminary JD is inaccurate, you may request an Approved JD, which is an official determination regarding the presence or absence of Waters of the US. If an approved JD is requested, the Corps will complete one and you may not begin work on the proposed project until after the Approved JD is complete. If you do not want the Corps to complete an Approved JD, you may proceed with the proposed project.

In accordance with the Endangered Species Act, the Corps of Engineers has reviewed your project for potential impacts to threatened and endangered (T&E) species and their critical habitat. We have determined that no T&E species or critical habitats are present in the activity area. However, should anyone at any time become aware that either an endangered and/or threatened species or its critical habitat exists within the project area, this office must be notified immediately.

The Omaha District, Regulatory Branch is committed to providing quality and timely service to our customers. In an effort to improve customer service, please take a moment to complete our Customer Service Survey found on our website at <http://per2.nwp.usace.army.mil/survey.html>. If you do not have Internet access, you may call and request a paper copy of the survey that you can complete and return to us by mail or fax (Completing the survey is a voluntary action).

If there are any questions call **Mr. Terry McKee** of my office at (303) 979-4120 and reference Corps File No. NWO-2011-2562-DEN.

Sincerely,



Timothy T. Carey  
Chief, Denver Regulatory Office

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Enclosures

Copies Furnished:

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service  
Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment  
Environmental Protection Agency  
Colorado Division of Wildlife  
State Historic Preservation Office

**PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM**

This preliminary JD finds that there “*may be*” waters of the United States on the subject project site, and identifies all aquatic features on the site that could be affected by the proposed activity, based on the following information:

**A. Report Completion Date for Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (JD):**

November 28, 2011

**B. Name and Address of Person Requesting Preliminary JD:**

Ms. Edith Savage  
Savage and Savage  
4610 Haystack Drive  
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**C. District Office, File Name, and Number:**

Denver Regulatory Office, Noble Energy, Cole Grivin G10-19, Latham G09-27D, 10-27D, -28D Well Pad, NWO-2011-2562-DEN

**D. PROJECT LOCATION(S), BACKGROUND INFORMATION, AND WATERS:**

State: Colorado  
City:  
County: Weld  
Name of nearest waterbody: wetland

Identify amount of waters in the review area: .08 acre

Name of any water bodies on the site that have been identified as Section 10 waters:

Tidal:  
Non-Tidal:

**Table 1 - Waters of the U.S.**

Site	Latitude	Longitude	Stream Flow	Cowardin Class	Estimated amount of aquatic resources in review area	Estimated amount of aquatic resource impact	Class of aquatic resource
wetland	40.33528	-104.6527		Palustrine	.08 acre	.08 acre	Non-tidal

**E. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):**

Office (Desk) Determination. Date: November 28, 2011

Field Determination. Date(s):

**F. SUPPORTING DATA:**

**Data reviewed for preliminary JD (check all that apply - checked items should be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):**

- Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Savage and Savage
  - Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
  - Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps:
- Corps navigable waters' study:
- U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas:
  - USGS NHD data.
  - USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
- U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Site quad name: 1:24000, LA SALLE.
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: GIS.
- National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: GIS.
- State/Local wetland inventory map(s):
- FEMA/FIRM maps:
- 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- Photographs:  Aerial (Name & Date): Project site  
or  Other (Name & Date): Project site
- Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:
- Other information (please specify):

**IMPORTANT NOTE: The information recorded on this form has not necessarily been verified by the Corps and should not be relied upon for later jurisdictional determinations.**

*T. McKee*

November 28, 2011

Signature and date of  
Regulatory Project Manager  
(REQUIRED)

Signature and date of  
person requesting preliminary JD  
(REQUIRED, unless obtaining the  
signature is impracticable)

**G. EXPLANATION OF PRELIMINARY AND APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATIONS:**

1. The Corps of Engineers believes that there may be jurisdictional waters of the United States on the subject site, and the permit applicant or other affected party who requested this preliminary JD is hereby advised of his or her option to request and obtain an approved jurisdictional determination (JD) for that site. Nevertheless, the permit applicant or other person who requested this preliminary JD has declined to exercise the option to obtain an approved JD in this instance and at this time.

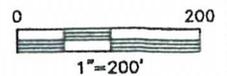
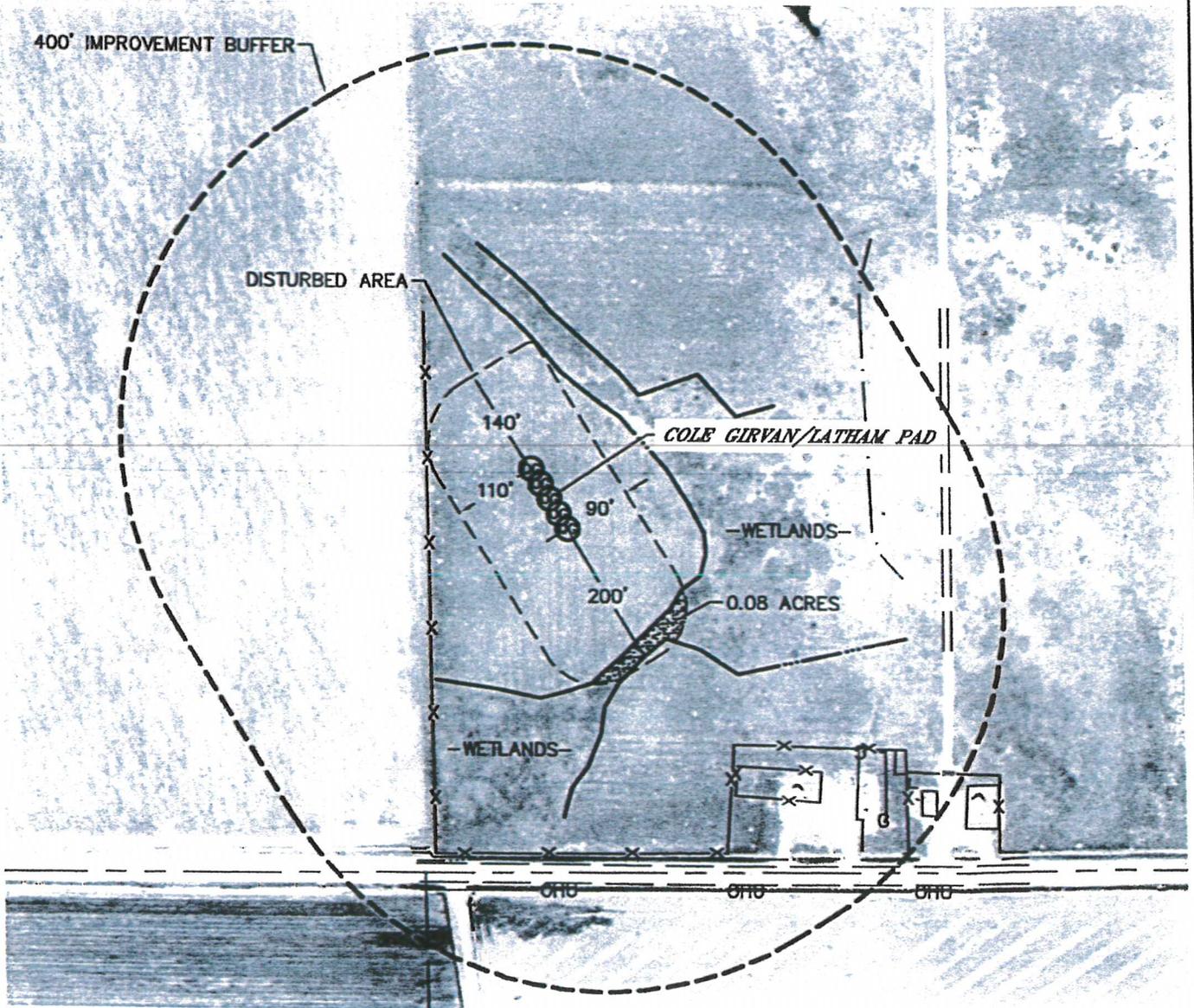
2. In any circumstance where a permit applicant obtains an individual permit, or a Nationwide General Permit (NWP) or other general permit verification requiring "pre-construction notification" (PCN), or requests verification for a non-reporting NWP or other general permit, and the permit applicant has not requested an approved JD for the activity, the permit applicant is hereby made aware of the following: (1) the permit applicant has elected to seek a permit authorization based on a preliminary JD, which does not make an official determination of jurisdictional waters; (2) that the applicant has the option to request an approved JD before accepting the terms and conditions of the permit authorization, and that basing a permit authorization on an approved JD could possibly result in less compensatory mitigation being required or different special conditions; (3) that the applicant has the right to request an individual permit rather than accepting the terms and conditions of the NWP or other general permit authorization; (4) that the applicant can accept a permit authorization and thereby agree to comply with all the terms and conditions of that permit, including whatever mitigation requirements the Corps has determined to be necessary; (5) that undertaking any activity in reliance upon the subject permit authorization without requesting an approved JD constitutes the applicant's acceptance of the use of the preliminary JD, but that either form of JD will be processed as soon as is practicable; (6) accepting a permit authorization (e.g., signing a proffered individual permit) or undertaking any activity in reliance on any form of Corps permit authorization based on a preliminary JD constitutes agreement that all wetlands and other water bodies on the site affected in any way by that activity are jurisdictional waters of the United States, and precludes any challenge to such jurisdiction in any administrative or judicial compliance or enforcement action, or in any administrative appeal or in any Federal court; and (7) whether the applicant elects to use either an approved JD or a preliminary JD, that JD will be processed as soon as is practicable. Further, an approved JD, a proffered individual permit (and all terms and conditions contained therein), or individual permit denial can be administratively appealed pursuant to 33 C.F.R. Part 331, and that in any administrative appeal, jurisdictional issues can be raised (see 33 C.F.R. 331.5(a)(2)). If, during that administrative appeal, it becomes necessary to make an official determination whether CWA jurisdiction exists over a site, or to provide an official delineation of jurisdictional waters on the site, the Corps will provide an approved JD to accomplish that result, as soon as is practicable.

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# LOCATION DRAWING

COLE GIRVAN G10-19, 29  
LATHAM G09-27D, 10-27D, 28D

SECTION: 3  
TOWNSHIP: 4N  
RANGE: 65W



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**Date:** November 1, 2011

Attached for your files is a wildlife assessment and wetland delineation for the Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad.

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October 27, 2011

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**RE: Noble Energy, Inc., Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad, Wildlife Assessment**

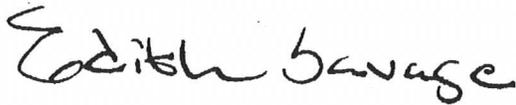
Dear Mr. Verbit:

Our firm conducted a wildlife assessment for the proposed Cole Girvin/Latham drill pad site on October 20, 2011. The proposed drill site is located approximately 0.25 miles northeast of Weld County Roads 43 and 48, and is accessed by taking U.S. Highway 85 south from Greeley to La Salle (Main Street), South on Main Street to Todd Avenue (Weld County Road 50), east on Weld County Road 50 for approximately 2.25 miles to Weld County Road 43, south on Weld County Road 43 to the intersection of County Roads 43 and 48, east on Weld County Road 48 for approximately 0.25 miles, then north onto an oil and gas access road. The latitude of the project site is 40.33388 degrees north and longitude is 104.64824 degrees west. The average elevation of the project site is 4672 feet. The site is located within the SW¼ of Section 3, Township 4 North, Range 65 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Prime Meridian, Weld County, Colorado.

The Cole Girvin/Latham site is located approximately 0.25 miles south of the shoreline of Lower Latham Reservoir. According to the Wildlife Map on the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission web site, sensitive wildlife habitat is located northwest of the reservoir, and a bald eagle nest is located southeast of the reservoir. However, there are no seasonal or distance restrictions for the bald eagle nest due to the distance from the sensitive wildlife habitat and bald eagle nest to the drill site.

During the breeding season the shoreline and riparian corridor of the reservoir may likely provide habitat for pelicans, wading birds, geese and ducks, raptors, shorebirds, as well as other migratory birds. Lower Latham Reservoir is a high profile site, and one of a small number of reservoirs in the area. Most migratory birds nesting activity in Colorado occurs from April 1 to July 15. In order to protect nesting birds along the shoreline of the Lower Latham Reservoir a drilling window from July 15 to April 1 is recommended for this site.

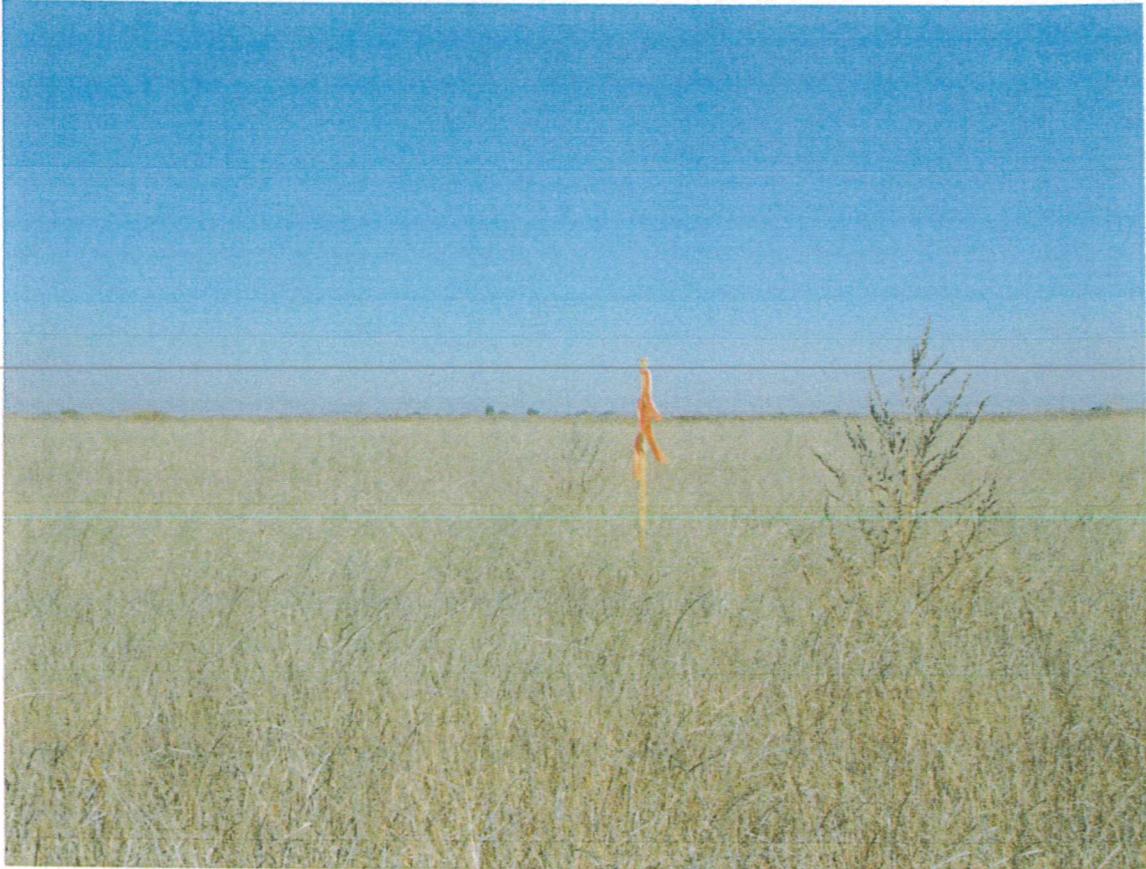
Sincerely,

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attachment: Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad General Location Map

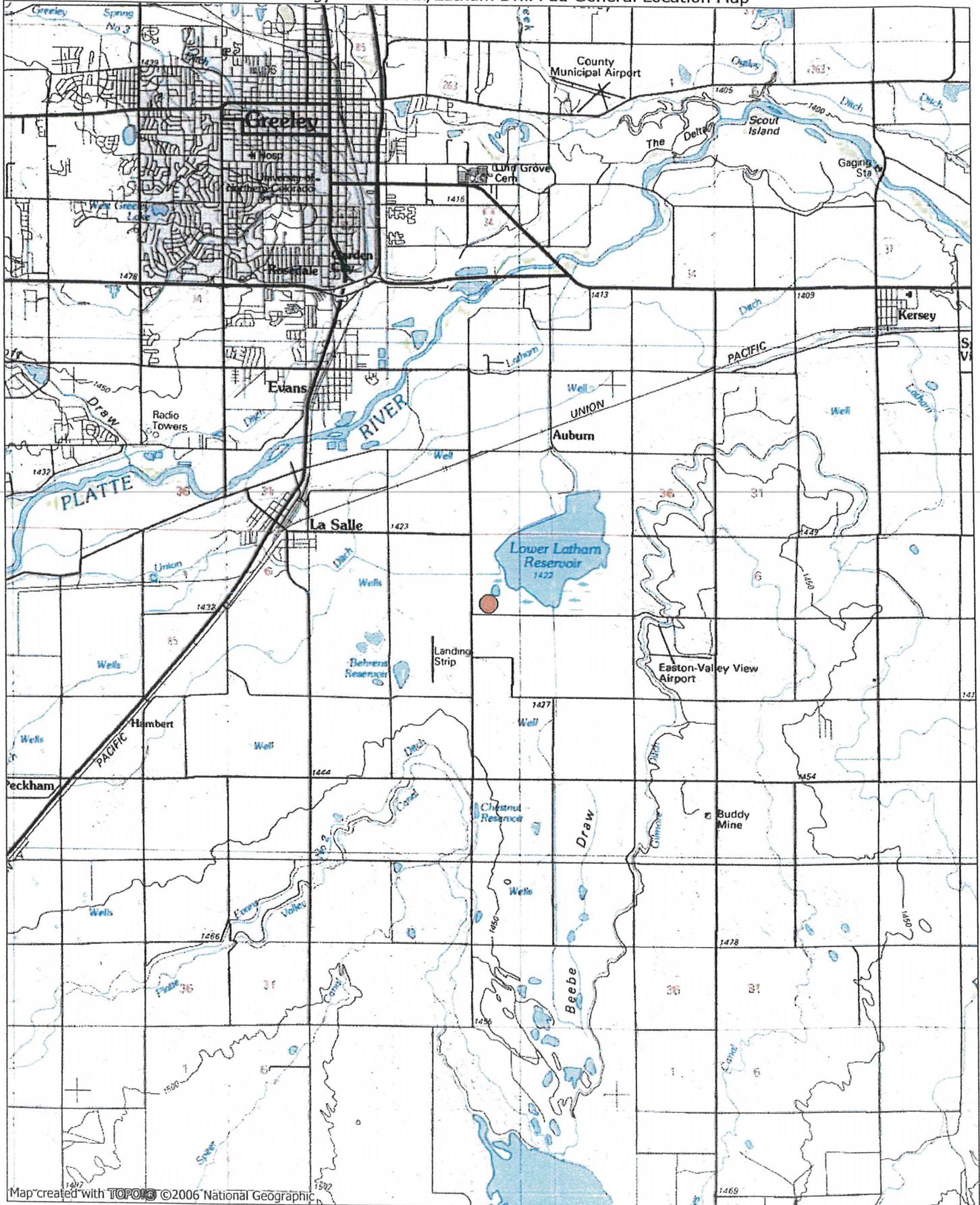
**NOBLE ENERGY, INC.  
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AND WETLAND DELINEATION  
WELD COUNTY, COLORADO**



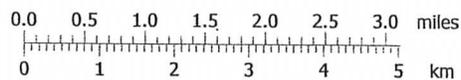
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# Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad General Location Map



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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Great Plains – Interim Version Data Sheets

## **INTRODUCTION**

Savage and Savage conducted a wetland delineation within the proposed Cole Girvin/Latham drill pad for Noble Energy, Inc. on October 20, 2011. The proposed drill site is located approximately 0.25 miles northeast of Weld County Roads 43 and 48, and is accessed by taking U.S. Highway 85 south from Greeley to La Salle (Main Street), South on Main Street to Todd Avenue (Weld County Road 50), east on Weld County Road 50 for approximately 2.25 miles to Weld County Road 43, south on Weld County Road 43 to the intersection of County Roads 43 and 48, east on Weld County Road 48 for approximately 0.25 miles, then north onto an oil and gas access road. The latitude of the project site is 40.33388 degrees north and longitude is 104.64824 degrees west. The average elevation of the project site is 4672 feet. The site is located within the SW¼ of Section 3, Township 4 North, Range 65 West of the 6<sup>th</sup> Prime Meridian, Weld County, Colorado (Figure 1).

## **STUDY METHODS**

A wetland delineation was conducted in accordance with the requirements of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual and Interim Supplement (USACE, 1987, 2008). To determine the areas subject to Corps jurisdiction, three criteria were evaluated: (1) evidence of a hydrologic regime reflecting saturation or periodic inundation by surface or ground water of sufficient duration and frequency, (2) soils which are considered hydric by classification or field characteristics indicating anaerobic conditions, and (3) a prevalence of vegetation typically adapted to areas of wetland hydrology and soils.

At two sample points within the proposed drill site the three wetland criteria were evaluated. Dominant individual plant species were identified, and their wetland indicator status was assessed (USFWS, 1988). Evidence of the hydrologic regime was collected and evaluated. A soil test pit was dug using a core auger to approximately 20 inches from the soil surface. Soil horizons were inspected and described using texture, soil color

(Munsell, 1992), and moisture. Observations were recorded on the attached USACE Great Plains – Interim Version approved data sheet (Figures 2 – 3 depict the sample points).

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Proposed temporary disturbance will include construction of a drill pad that is approximately 3.0 acres. Permanent disturbance will include fenced well heads located on the drill pad remnant. The existing tank battery will be expanded for this project.

## **SITE DESCRIPTION**

The significant topographic and hydrologic feature in the vicinity of the site is the Lower Latham Reservoir that is located approximately 0.25 miles north of the drill site. Lower Latham Reservoir is situated within a broad topographic swale. The nature of the topography and natural and man-augmented hydrology produce seasonal hydric areas south (upgradient) of the reservoir. The proposed disturbance area slopes gently to the northeast.

The disturbance area is hydrologically connected to a large wetland complex located south of the Lower Latham Reservoir. The wetlands are a mosaic and include wet meadow and mesic/xeric meadow vegetation dependent on differences in micro-topography and surface water drainage patterns.

One dominant soil map unit was identified in the area of the proposed project site. According to the Soil Survey of Weld County, Southern Part (1980), Vona sandy loam (0 to 1 percent slopes) are located within the area. This map unit is a nearly level map unit formed in alluvial deposits. Typically Vona soil is grayish brown sandy loam approximately 10 inches thick. The subsoil is brown fine sandy loam about 20 inches thick. The substratum to a depth of 60 inches is sandy loam. Vona soil is not defined by

the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers as hydric. On-site observation of soils within the site confirmed the presence of this soil map unit within Sample Point 002.

The dominant plant species adjacent to Sample Point 001 is Baltic rush (*Juncus balticus*). Other plants include inland saltgrass (*Distichlis spicata*), blowoutgrass, (*Redfieldia flexuosa*), and meadow foxtail (*Hordeum jubatum*), all hydrophytic species. The area surrounding Sample Point 002 is dominated by dropseed (*Sporobolus cryptandrus*), a xeric species.

## **RESULTS/CONCLUSION**

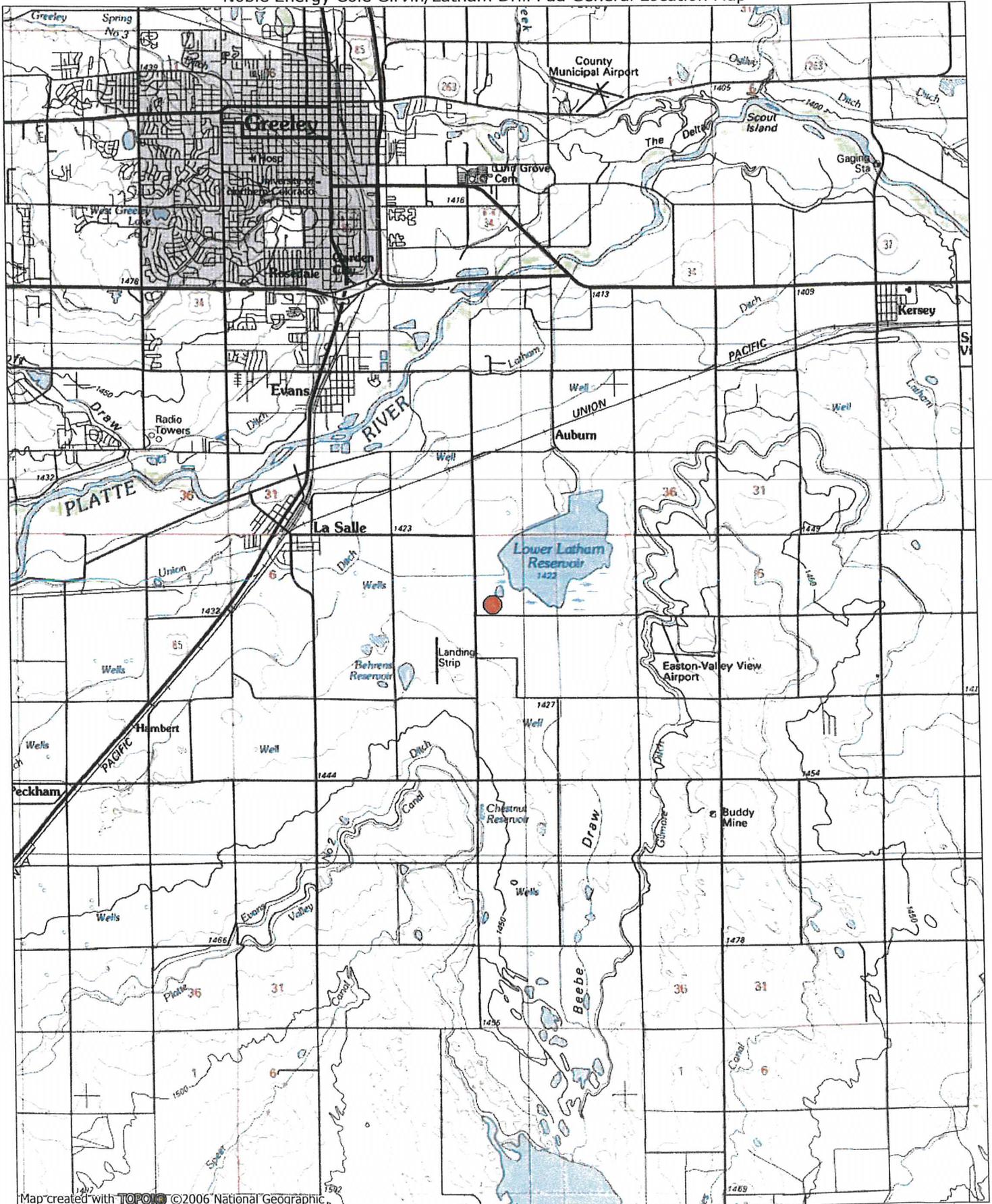
Savage and Savage conducted a wetland delineation at the proposed Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham well pad on October 20, 2011. This delineation was conducted in order to determine the presence and extent of wetlands within the proposed drill pad. Hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soil, and wetland hydrology were identified within the broad swale (Sample Point 001), however wetland indicators were not identified within the uplands (Sample Point 002) (Figure 4).

## LITERATURE CITED

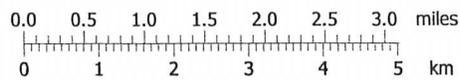
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**FIGURES**

Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham Drill Pad General Location Map



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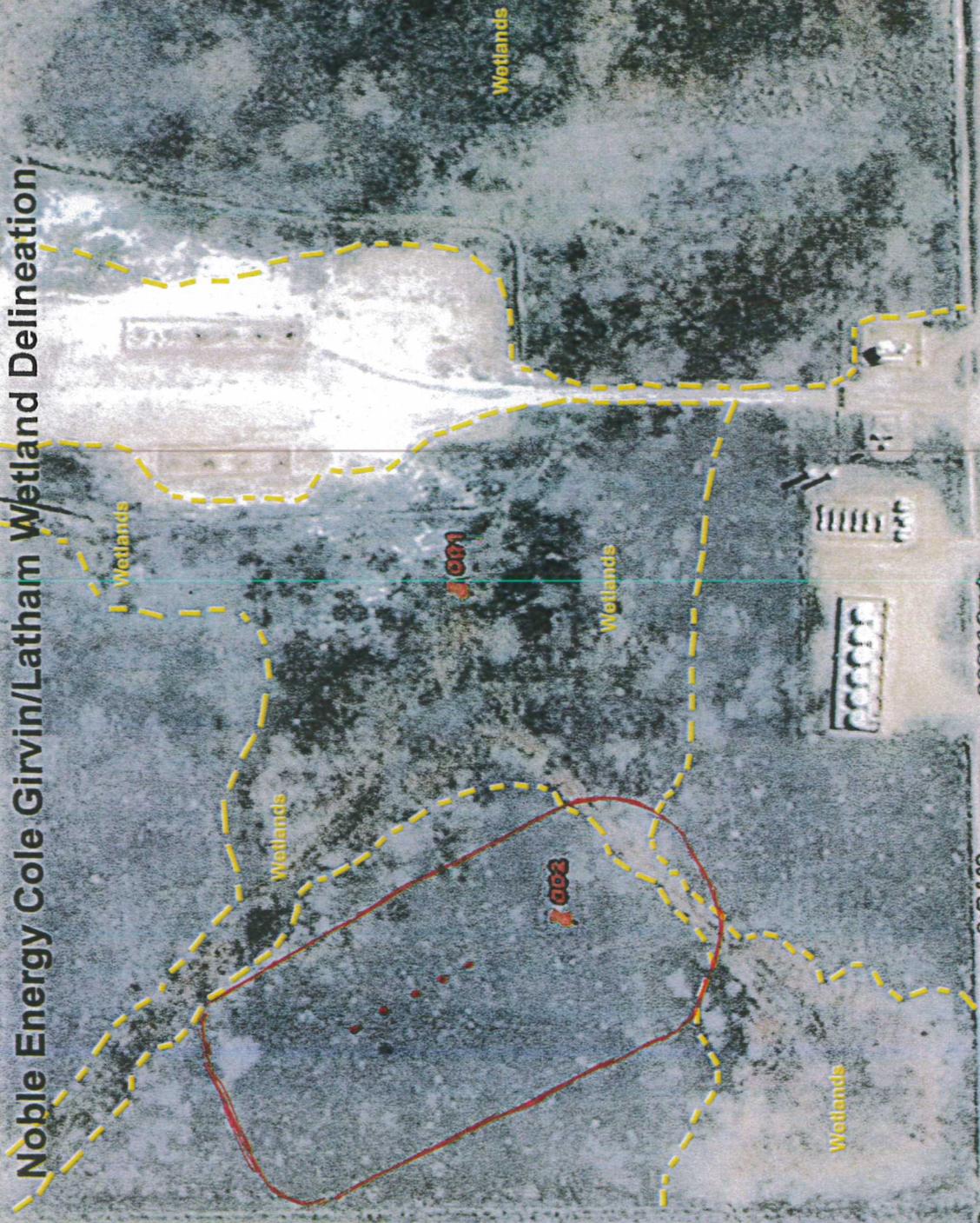


**Figure 2. Cole Girvin/Latham Sample Point 001.**



**Figure 3. Cole Girvin/Latham Sample Point 002.**

# Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham Wetland Delineation



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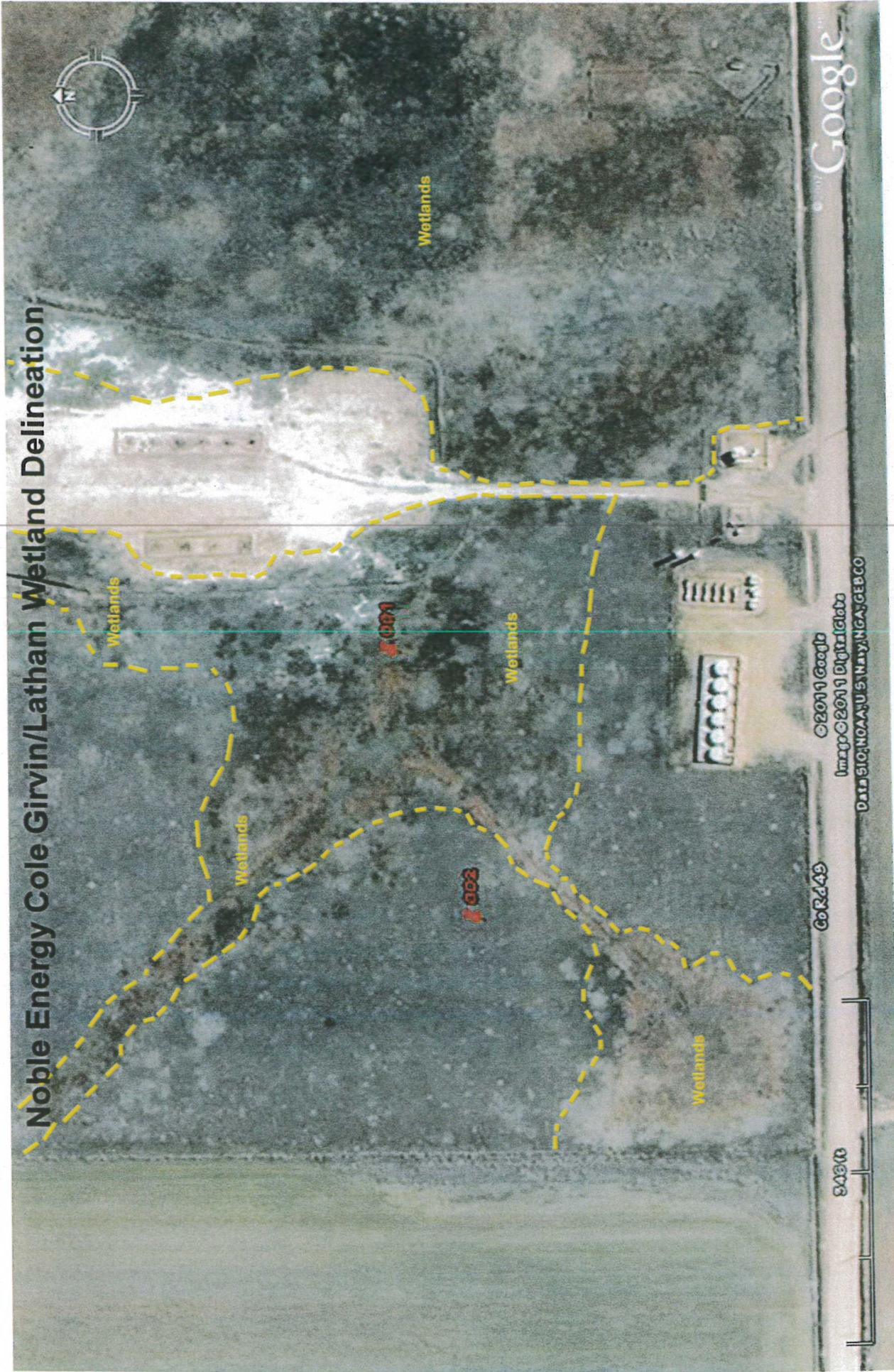
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# Noble Energy Cole Girvin/Latham Wetland Delineation



**APPENDIX**

**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region**

Project/Site: COLE GIRVIN/LATHAM City/County: WELD Sampling Date: OCT 20, 2011  
 Applicant/Owner: NOBLE ENERGY State: CO Sampling Point: 001  
 Investigator(s): M S SAVAGE/E A SAVAGE Section, Township, Range: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): BROAD SWALE Local relief (concave, convex, none): FLAT Slope (%): <1  
 Subregion (LRR): \_\_\_\_\_ Lat: 40.33388° N Long: 104.64824° W Datum: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Soil Map Unit Name: YONA SANDY LOAM (0-1% SWPCS) NWI classification: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_ (If no, explain in Remarks.)  
 Are Vegetation \_\_\_\_\_, Soil \_\_\_\_\_, or Hydrology \_\_\_\_\_ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are Vegetation \_\_\_\_\_, Soil \_\_\_\_\_, or Hydrology \_\_\_\_\_ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____ Hydric Soil Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____ Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
Remarks: <u>APEX OF TWO CONVERGING TOPOGRAPHIC SWALES</u>	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC (excluding FAC-): <u>2</u> (A)  Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>2</u> (B)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>100%</u> (A/B)
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u> )				Prevalence Index worksheet:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B)  Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				<b>Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dominance Test is >50% <input type="checkbox"/> Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup> <input type="checkbox"/> Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) <input type="checkbox"/> Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>10'x10'</u> )				
1. <u>Juncus balticus</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>OBL</u>	
2. <u>Distichlis spicata</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>NI(FAC)</u>	
3. <u>Hordeum jubatum</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>FACW</u>	
4. <u>Redfieldia flexuosa</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>N</u>	<u>NI(FAC)</u>	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>70</u> = Total Cover				<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u> )				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>70</u> = Total Cover				Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No _____
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>15</u>				
Remarks: _____				

**SOIL**

Sampling Point: 001

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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-4"	7.5YR 4/2	95	N/A				LOAM	SIGNIF O HORIZON
4-21"	7.5YR 4/2	80	6.5Y 12.5/N	10	CS	M	SAND	SATURATED @ BOTTOM
			7.5YR 4/6	2	RM	M		MOTTLES

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

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

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils<sup>3</sup>:

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)      | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR I, J)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)   | <input type="checkbox"/> Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR F, G, H)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Dark Surface (S7) (LRR G)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)      | <input type="checkbox"/> High Plains Depressions (F16)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5) (LRR F)            | <input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)      | <input type="checkbox"/> (LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR F, G, H)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Reduced Vertic (F18)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)       | <input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)        | <sup>3</sup> Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G, H) | <input type="checkbox"/> High Plains Depressions (F16) |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR F)      | <input type="checkbox"/> (MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H)       |   |

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_

Hydric Soil Present? Yes  No

Remarks: ORGANIC STREAKING SIGNIFICANT IN SANDY B HORIZON

**HYDROLOGY**

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

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

Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) | <input type="checkbox"/> (where tilled)                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)                       | <input type="checkbox"/> (where not tilled)                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)              | <input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)                 | <input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)                 |   | <input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (LRR F)          |

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present? Yes  No  Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Water Table Present? Yes  No  Depth (inches): 17"  
 Saturation Present? Yes  No  Depth (inches): 16"  
 (includes capillary fringe)

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes  No

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

Remarks:

**WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Great Plains Region**

Project/Site: COLLE GERVIN / LATHAM City/County: WELD Sampling Date: OCT 30, 2011  
 Applicant/Owner: NOBLE ENERGY State: CO Sampling Point: 002  
 Investigator(s): MS SAUVAGE / BA SAUVAGE Section, Township, Range: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_ Local relief (concave, convex, none): FLAT Slope (%): < 1  
 Subregion (LRR): \_\_\_\_\_ Lat: 40-33388°N Long: 104-64824°W Datum: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Soil Map Unit Name: VOVA SANDY LOAM (0-1% SLOPE) 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 Hydrology \_\_\_\_\_ significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are Vegetation \_\_\_\_\_, Soil \_\_\_\_\_, or Hydrology \_\_\_\_\_ naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> Hydric Soil Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u> Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes _____ No <u>X</u>	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _____ No <u>X</u>
Remarks:	

**VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.**

Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u> )	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC (excluding FAC-): <u>0</u> (A) Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: <u>1</u> (B) Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>0%</u> (A/B)
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				<b>Prevalence Index worksheet:</b> Total % Cover of: _____ Multiply by: _____ OBL species _____ x 1 = _____ FACW species _____ x 2 = _____ FAC species _____ x 3 = _____ FACU species _____ x 4 = _____ UPL species _____ x 5 = _____ Column Totals: _____ (A) _____ (B) Prevalence Index = B/A = _____
<b>Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u>)</b>				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
<b>Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>10'x10'</u>)</b>				
1. <u>Sporobolus cryptandrus</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>Y</u>	<u>FACU(-)</u>	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
3. _____	_____	_____	_____	
4. _____	_____	_____	_____	
5. _____	_____	_____	_____	
6. _____	_____	_____	_____	
7. _____	_____	_____	_____	
8. _____	_____	_____	_____	
9. _____	_____	_____	_____	
10. _____	_____	_____	_____	
<u>40</u> = Total Cover				
<b>Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>N/A</u>)</b>				
1. _____	_____	_____	_____	
2. _____	_____	_____	_____	
_____ = Total Cover				
% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum <u>25</u>				
_____ = Total Cover				
Remarks:				

**Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:**  
 \_\_\_ Dominance Test is >50%  
 \_\_\_ Prevalence Index is ≤3.0<sup>1</sup>  
 \_\_\_ Morphological Adaptations<sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)  
 \_\_\_ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation<sup>1</sup> (Explain)

<sup>1</sup>Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

**SOIL**

Sampling Point: 002

**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 <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>		
0-23"	7.5YR 4/2	95	N/A				SANDY LOAM	

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

**Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)** NONE

<input type="checkbox"/> Histosol (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR I, J)
<input type="checkbox"/> Histic Epipedon (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Redox (S5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR F, G, H)
<input type="checkbox"/> Black Histic (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Stripped Matrix (S6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dark Surface (S7) (LRR G)
<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1)	<input type="checkbox"/> High Plains Depressions (F16)
<input type="checkbox"/> Stratified Layers (A5) (LRR F)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)	<input type="checkbox"/> (LRR H outside of MLRA 72 & 73)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1 cm Muck (A9) (LRR F, G, H)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Matrix (F3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Reduced Vertic (F18)
<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Dark Surface (F6)	<input type="checkbox"/> Red Parent Material (TF2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Thick Dark Surface (A12)	<input type="checkbox"/> Depleted Dark Surface (F7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Redox Depressions (F8)	<sup>3</sup> Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S2) (LRR G, H)	<input type="checkbox"/> High Plains Depressions (F16)	
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR F)	<input type="checkbox"/> (MLRA 72 & 73 of LRR H)	

**Restrictive Layer (if present):**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Depth (inches): \_\_\_\_\_

Hydric Soil Present? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Remarks:

**HYDROLOGY**

**Wetland Hydrology Indicators:**

<u>Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)</u> <u>NONE</u>		<u>Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Water (A1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Salt Crust (B11)	<input type="checkbox"/> Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
<input type="checkbox"/> High Water Table (A2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Aquatic Invertebrates (B13)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation (A3)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage Patterns (B10)
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Marks (B1)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dry-Season Water Table (C2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)
<input type="checkbox"/> Sediment Deposits (B2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3)	<input type="checkbox"/> (where tilled)
<input type="checkbox"/> Drift Deposits (B3)	<input type="checkbox"/> (where not tilled)	<input type="checkbox"/> Crayfish Burrows (C8)
<input type="checkbox"/> Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
<input type="checkbox"/> Iron Deposits (B5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Thin Muck Surface (C7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Geomorphic Position (D2)
<input type="checkbox"/> Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Explain in Remarks)	<input type="checkbox"/> FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Water-Stained Leaves (B9)		<input type="checkbox"/> Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7) (LRR F)

**Field Observations:**

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

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

Remarks: