

Hydrology Assessment with Aerial Imagery-Recording Form¹

Project Name: Byron Solar Date: 10/21/2020 County: Dodge and Olmsted

Investigator: David Kuhlmann Legal Description (S, T, R): Sections 2, 3, 10-15 T116N, R16W and Section 35, T107N, R16W

Summary Table

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2018	Google Earth	9/22	Dry	NV	WS	WS	NV	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	SS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	SS	SS	NV	NV	WS	WS	WS
2017	WMS (FSA)	8/31	Normal	NV	WS	WS	NV	CS	WS	WS	WS	CS	SGO	CS	WS	WS	WS	CS	WS	WS	WS	NV	CS	NV	CS	WS	WS	WS	
2015	WMS (FSA)	10/11	Normal	NV	WS	WS	NV	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	SGO	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	NV	NV	DP	NV	NV	WS	WS	WS
2013	WMS (FSA)	7/18	Wet	NV	WS	WS	NV	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	SS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	CS	DP	NV	DP	WS	WS	WS	
2011	Google Earth	7/3	Normal	NV	WS	WS	NV	CS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	NV	NV	NV	DP	NV	NV	NV	
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2008	WMS (FSA)	6/23	Normal	CS	WS	WS	CS	NV	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	NV	DP	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	WS	DP	WS	NV	DP	NV	NV	NV	
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# Years of aerial photography	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12
# Normal Years (1991-2017)	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
#Normal Yrs with signatures	1	8	8	3	2	8	8	8	8	8	3	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	1	4	0	5	2	2	3
# signatures in wet years	1	3	3	1	1	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	2	0	2	1	1	1
# Signatures in dry years	0	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1
# signatures in all years	2	12	12	4	3	12	12	12	12	12	7	12	12	12	12	12	12	11	3	7	0	7	4	4	4
% Usable Yrs with wet signatures ⁷	1/8= 13%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	3/8= 38%	2/8= 25%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	3/8= 38%	3/8= 38%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	8/8= 100%	7/8= 88%	1/8= 13%	4/8= 50%	0/8= 0%	5/8= 63%	2/8= 25%	2/8= 25%	2/8= 25%

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Wetland Determination from Aerial Imagery – Recording Form

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Use the Decision Matrix below to complete Table 1.

Hydric Soils present ¹	Identified on NWI or other wetland map ²	Percent with wet signatures from Exhibit 1	Field verification required ³	Wetland?
Yes	Yes	>50%	No	Yes
Yes	Yes	30-50%	No	Yes
Yes	Yes	<30%	Yes	Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Yes	No	>50%	No	Yes
Yes	No	30-50%	Yes	Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Yes	No	<30%	No	No
No	Yes	>50%	No	Yes
No	Yes	30-50%	No	Yes
No	Yes	<30%	No	No
No	No	>50%	Yes	Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
No	No	30-50%	Yes	Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
No	No	<30%	No	No

¹The presence of hydric soils can be determined from the “Hydric Rating by Map Unit Feature” under “Land Classifications” from the Web Soil Survey. “Not Hydric” is the only category considered to not have hydric soils. Field sampling for the presence/absence of hydric soil indicators can be used in lieu of the hydric rating if appropriately documented by providing completed field data sheets.

²At minimum, the most updated NWI data available for the area must be reviewed for this step. Any and all other local or regional wetland maps that are publicly available should be reviewed.

³Area should be reviewed in the field for the presence/absence of wetland hydrology indicators per the applicable 87 Manual Regional Supplement, including the D2 indicator (geomorphic position).

Table 1.

Area	Hydric Soils Present	Identified on NWI or other wetland map	Percent with wet signatures from Exhibit 1	Other hydrology indicators present ¹	Wetland?
Area 1	No	No	13%		No
Area 2	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 3	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 4	No	No	38%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 5	No	No	25%		No
Area 6	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 7	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 8	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 9	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 10	No	No	100%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 11	Yes	No	38%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 12	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 13	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 14	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 15	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 16	No	No	100%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 17	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes

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Area 19	No	No	88%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 20	Yes	No	13%		No
Area 21	Yes	No	50%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 22	Yes	No	0%		No
Area 23	Yes	No	63%		Yes
Area 24	Yes	No	25%		No
Area 25	Yes	No	25%		No
Area 26	No	No	25%		No
Area 27	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 28	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 29	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 30	Yes	No	25%		No
Area 31	Yes	No	38%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 32	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 33	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 34	Yes	No	25%		No
Area 35	Yes	No	50%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 37	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 38	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 39	Yes	No	63%		Yes
Area 46	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 48	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 49	Yes	No	50%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 50	Yes	No	88%		Yes
Area 51	Yes	No	63%		Yes
Area 52	Yes	No	0%		No
Area 53	No	No	63%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 54	No	No	63%		Yes, if other hydrology indicators present
Area 55	No	No	25%		No
Area 56	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 57	No	No	13%		No
Area 58	Yes	No	25%		No
Area 59	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 60	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 61	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 62	Yes	Yes	100%		Yes
Area 63	Yes	No	88%		Yes
Area 64	Yes	No	100%		Yes
Area 65	No	No	25%		No

¹ Answer "N/A" if field verification is not required and was not conducted.