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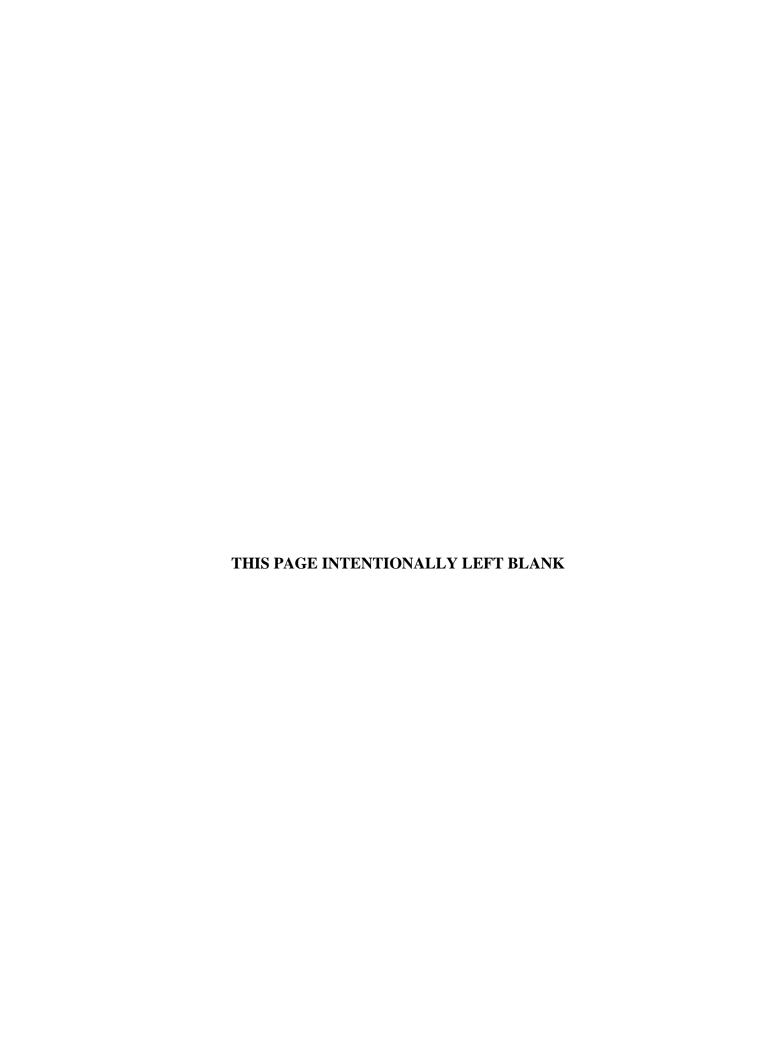
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1.0 PROJECT OVERVIEW

This report presents the findings of wetland monitoring at two U.S. Army Reserve, 99th Regional Support Command (RSC) wetland mitigation sites located in Middletown, Connecticut. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District conducted monitoring in September 2014 on behalf of the 99th RSC.

The USACE, Louisville District constructed the Maurice Rose Armed Forces Reserve Center (AFRC) and accompanying support facilities on behalf of the U.S. Army Reserve in accordance with the Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-510) and ("BRAC Commission") recommendations. The Maurice Rose AFRC is located within nontidal wetlands on the 40-acre Cucia Park property located on Smith Street in Middletown, Connecticut. The USACE, New England District, Regulatory Branch issued a Department of the Army Individual Permit (NAE-2008-2372) to USACE, Louisville District in care of the 99th RSC. The permit was issued for impacts to 1.5 acres of nontidal wetlands. The permit is contingent upon compensatory wetlands mitigation to replace the lost functions and values of the impacted wetlands at the project site. This mitigation will be in the form of enhancement and invasive species control at both on-site and off-site locations (Appendix A, Figure 1).

The on-site mitigation project is identified as "Smith Street" and involves 0.75 acre of wetland and upland buffer enhancement plantings located adjacent to the impact areas. It also includes invasive vegetation species control and management within a 20-acre area neighboring Sawmill Brook (Appendix A, Figure 2). The off-site mitigation project, which is owned by the Middlesex Land Trust, but remains the responsibility of the 99th RSC, is identified as "Boardman Lane" and involves enhancement plantings and invasive species control within a 4-acre riparian area. It includes invasive species control and Box Turtle Habitat Management within a 10-acre area, both of which are identified as being grazed wet meadow (Appendix A, Figure 3).

The permit contains special conditions in the form of a wetland monitoring plan. This plan requires that both sites be routinely evaluated for a minimum of five years to ensure that the mitigation planting measures are successful and a minimum of 10 years to ensure the successful control of invasive species. The conditions further state that, periodic monitoring reports are to be prepared which contain information indicating an inventory of the health of the surviving plant enhancement planting species. The reports will include a percent aerial coverage of area to show if invasive species are being successfully controlled. The reports will also include representative photographs of the sites and the locations and orientation of each photograph, and a written plan to correct any deficiencies identified during the monitoring phase.

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2.0 REQUIREMENTS

It was established during the permit negotiation stage that the goal of the on-site and off-site mitigation projects was to replace the lost functions and values. This mitigation includes wildlife habitat, groundwater discharge, and water quality treatment of the non-tidal wetlands impacted at the project site, through enhancement activities being performed at the Smith Street and Boardman Lane project locations.

SMITH STREET (CUCIA PARK): The compensatory mitigation measures at the Smith Street site include 0.75 acre of wetland and upland buffer enhancement plantings and 20 acres of invasive vegetation species control and management. The planting plan includes a variety of species of native woody plantings and native seed mixes, in accordance with the enclosed planting plan prepared by AECOM, entitled: Overview On-Site Mitigation Cucia Park, drawing number 4 of 6, dated December 2009, which is included in the mitigation plan, entitled: Integrated Wetland Resource Stewardship Plan, Armed Forces Reserve Center Project, On-site Mitigation Area, 375 Smith Street, Middletown, CT, dated January 28, 2011 (Appendix A, Figure 4). The plantings of the shrubs species range in heights of between 18 inches to 24 inches, and the plantings of the sapling species range in heights of between 4 feet and 6 feet.

BOARDMAN LANE: The compensatory mitigation measures at the Boardman Lane site include permanent preservation of a 40-acre area consisting of 17 acres of wetlands and 23 acres of uplands. Within the 40-acre area, an existing 14-acre grazed wet meadow is being enhanced through the activities of native woody plantings and invasive species control within the riparian zone along a 4acre area. Enhancement activities of invasive species control and Box Turtle and Squarrose Sedge Habitat Management within a 10-acre area will occur within the 14-acre grazed wet meadow. The habitat management involves not only invasive species control and management, but also appropriate mowing restrictions to provide conditions conducive to Box Turtle habitat. planting plan includes a variety of native species of native woody plantings and native seed mixes, in accordance with the enclosed planting plan prepared by AECOM, entitled: Planting Plan, Off-Site Mitigation, Boardman Lane, drawing number 2 of 6, dated December 2009, which is included in the mitigation plan, entitled: Integrated Wetland Resource Stewardship Plan, Armed Forces Reserve Center Project, Boardman Lane Off-site Mitigation Area, 218 Boardman Lane, Middletown, CT, dated January 28, 2011 (Appendix A, Figure 5). The plantings of the shrubs species are approximately 18 inches in height, and the plantings of the sapling species range in heights of between 18 inches to 24 inches.

The invasive species control and management at both the Smith Street and Boardman Lane sites involves the removal of existing invasive species, as well as control of previously unobserved species. The invasive species include, but are not limited to, the removal and control of common reed (*Phragmites australis*), purple loosestrife (*Lythrum salicaria*), autumn olive (*Elaegnus sp.*), multiflora rose (*Rosa multiflora*), Oriental bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*), honeysuckle (*Lonicera sp.*), cattails (*Typha latifolia, Typha angustifolia, Typha glauca*), reed canary-grass (*Phalaris arundinacea*), Japanese knotweed (*Fallopia japonica*), Russian olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*), and smooth and common buckthorns (*Frangula alnus* and *Rhamnus frangula*).

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3.0 SUMMARY DATA

GENERAL SITE CONDITIONS

SMITH STREET (CUCIA PARK): The Smith Street mitigation enhancement project site is owned and operated by the 99th RSC. At this location, the Army has recently constructed the new Maurice Rose AFRC and accompanying support facilities. The AFRC consists of a five-story, approximately 164,000 square-foot training facility. Associated support facilities include an approximately 34,979-square foot Organizational Maintenance Shop and an approximately 3,886-square foot storage building. The combined facilities support approximately 900 personnel, to include reservists and civilians. The site is located on Smith Street in Middletown, Connecticut. Interstate 91 borders the east side of the site, while the western side of the site consists of Sawmill Brook and its bordering wetlands and floodplains. The site is surrounded by mixed land use, which includes commercial and industrial businesses, agriculture farm land, and residential properties. The site was selected due to the proximity of the project impacts, which occurred directly adjacent to the on-site vegetation restoration and invasive species control areas.

BOARDMAN LANE: The Boardman Lane mitigation enhancement project site is an approximately 40-acre site located north of Boardman Lane in Middletown, Connecticut in the Lower Connecticut River Watershed and encompasses reaches of Richards Brook and Sawmill Brook and their bordering floodplain wetlands. Much of the fields contain soils with hydric soil indicators (and are consistent with Wilbraham silt loam complex), and most of which is within the floodplain of the mentioned brooks. The floodplain wetlands extend over a significant area of the eastern portion of the site. The western portion of the site contains elevated landform, much of which is uplands. The 14-acre area where the mitigation activities are occurring is surrounded mainly by forested uplands to the west and north; forested and residential property immediately to the east, and developed commercial property further to the east; and residential property to the south bordering Boardman Lane. Although the 99th RSC is the responsible party for the Section 404 permit, the property where the Boardman Lane mitigation enhancement project site is located is owned by the Middlesex Land Trust who has a Cooperative Agreement with the 99th RSC allowing site access for work related to the Section 404 permit and required mitigation. The site is used by a diverse mix of wildlife typical to upland forest, forested wetlands and agricultural fields in Connecticut. Upland habitats on the site are comprised of mixed hardwood/coniferous forests, hardwood forests, scrub/shrub areas, old agricultural fields, pastureland and barnyard area. This site was selected because it offered the most preferred conditions of the alternatives investigated, and it is within the same watershed as the project site. Sufficient acreage exists at this site to achieve the mitigation ratios in accordance with USACE guidance.

As stated, the site visits occurred on 3 and 4 September 2014. At the time of the site visit, the vegetation was dense with leaf on conditions. The temperature was approximately 80 degrees Fahrenheit with sunny conditions. Precipitation events prior to the site visit were normal and typical for the season.

SITE VISIT FINDINGS

SMITH STREET (CUCIA PARK):

VEGETATION: The types of species planted within the 0.75-acre of buffer plantings appeared to be precise with the planting plan, with the exception of Planting Area 4 (Appendix C, Figure 1), which is identified on the planting plan as arrowwood (*Viburnun dentatum*); however, highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbossum*) was observed within this planting area in absence of the arrowwood. This was not evident during the Fall 2013 monitoring due to the leaf-off conditions. Mulch has been placed throughout the planting area. The plantings included white pine (*Pinus strobus*), red cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*), mountain laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*), winterberry holly (*Ilex verticillata*), arrowwood, highbush blueberry and sweet pepperbush (*Clethra alnifolia*).

The findings of the site visit resulted in observation of sectors of dense herbaceous vegetation amid the plantings, which consisted primarily of invasive species, including, but not limited to, deertongue grass (*Dichanthelium clandestinum*), goldenrod (*Solidago* species), reed canary-grass, Japanese stiltgrass (*Microstegium vimineum*) and various other species. The overall aerial coverage of herbaceous volunteer species was approximately 75 percent with approximately 15 percent being invasive species. Deer-tongue grass and reed canary-grass were identified in somewhat dense quantities in and around the buffer planting areas of 1 and 2 (Appendix C, Figure 1).

The total numbers of plantings observed within each species designation area in accordance with the planting plan were identified. The total number of plantings identified did not precisely match the numbers listed on the planting plan. In some instances, there were more plantings of a particular species than what was stated on the planting plan, and in other instances, there were fewer. Due to the dense herbaceous vegetation, some of the plantings located near the outer limits of the buffer (adjacent to the invasive species control location) were not readily located until the dense vegetation was pushed aside. This being the case, it is likely that unobserved plantings are present, but obscured by the dense herbaceous vegetation.

The species of white pine, red cedar, winterberry holly, arrowwood, highbush blueberry and sweet pepperbush appeared to be predominantly healthy. Approximately three white pines had not survived, but the health of the existing live pines was positive with a high-expected survival rate. Of the mountain laurel plantings located, many appeared to have not survived, and others appeared to be losing leaves and branches dying off, although it is unclear as to why the mountain laurel is struggling. This species tolerates partial shade, however there is a stone wall directly adjacent to the buffer plantings which may be causing the area to receive only minimal sunlight. Additionally, it may be that the wall is blocking rainfall from adequately reaching the plantings below. The total number of dead and dying plantings has increased from the Fall 2013 monitoring.

New England Conservation Wildlife Mix, consisting of seeds of native species, was to be broadcast in the western corner of the planting plan between the red cedar and white pine. Vegetation was identified within the stated area and included, but is not limited to, goldenrod, fox sedge (*Carex Vulpinoidea*), soft rush (*Juncus effuses*), Japanese stiltgrass and other herbaceous species. Areal coverage of vegetation consisted of approximately 50 percent FACW and OBL species and 50 percent FAC and FACU species. Additionally, New England Wetmix, consisting of seeds of native species, was to be broadcast on the western side of the project between the arrowwood and highbush blueberry. This location is an existing wetland according to the project and mitigation

plan. A soil sample was also taken at this location (S1) (Appendix C, Figure 1). The soil exhibited a silty loam consistency, was saturated and was colored 7.5 YR 3/2 from 0 to 12+ inches with approximately 15 percent redox concentrations colored 7.5 Y/R 4/6. The findings of the soil profile, per the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region*, indicates this soil to be a hydric soil, which is consistent with the project and mitigation plans. Additional hydrology may be entering this location due to the geographic position of the wetland and adjacent slopes, which will further provide hydrology for the wetland and potentially expand the size of the wetland. The details of this investigation are documented on the enclosed Data Forms (Appendix A, Figure 6), and the location is indicated on the enclosed map (Appendix C, Figure 1). There were multiple wetland plant species observed within this area, to include but not limited to, yellow nutsedge (*Cyperus esculentus*), fox sedge, soft rush and other FACW, OBL, FAC and FACU species. The observed planting species totals are identified in Table 3-1.

Table 3-1: Plantings and Observations at Smith Street

Cover Type	Scientific Name	Common Name	Plantings	Observed
Trees	Pinus strobus	White pine	68	80
	Juniperus virginiana	Red cedar	39	45
Shrub	Kalmia latifolia	Mountain laurel	90	70
	Ilex verticillata	Winterberry holly	15	49
	Viburnum dentatum Arrowwood		60	23
	Vaccinium corymbnosum	Highbush blueberry	105	69
	Clethra alnifolia	Sweet pepperbush	75	53
Seed Mix	New Eng	gland Conservation Wild	life Mix	
	New Engl	and Wetmix (Wetland S	eed Mix)	

The 20-acre area of invasive species control location was field surveyed at various representative locations to identify the presence of invasive species. Located in the western corner of the site was a large patch of common reed. The area appeared to have increased in size as compared to the Fall 2013 monitoring. Also identified sporadically within the site were canary reed-grass, multiflora rose, poison ivy (Toxicodendron radicans), greenbrier (Smilax rotundifolia) and deer-tongue grass. These species were not considered to be overtaking any areas within the site. Some of the listed species were adjacent to, and also within, the 0.75 buffer planting area with some areas somewhat being dense. For example, deer-tongue grass and reed canary-grass were identified in somewhat dense quantities in and around the buffer planting areas of 1 and 2 (Appendix C, Figure 1). A soil sample was taken at one location (S2) (Appendix C, Figure 1) within the invasive species control area as identified on the enclosed plan (Appendix C, Figure 1). The soil exhibited a silty loam consistency and was colored 10 YR 4/4 from 0 to 12+ inches with no redox concentrations. The findings of the soil profile, per the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region, indicate that this soil is not a hydric soil, which is consistent with the plans included with the permit. The details of this investigation are documented on the enclosed Data Forms (Appendix A, Figure 7), and the location is indicated on the enclosed map (Appendix C, Figure 1).

The stormwater management facility, which was also part of the compensatory mitigation, appeared to be in compliance with the plans. The ponds were highly vegetated with hydrophytic vegetation, to include sedges, rushes and grasses. The ponds appeared to be functioning appropriately and

performing in accordance with the permit conditions, as is consistent with the findings of the Fall 2013 monitoring.

FISH and WILDLIFE: Vertebrate species identified during the site visit included a few species of birds. Conclusive identification of species was not able to be made due to the briefness of which the birds were located within the area. Various invertebrate species were observed, to include *Hymenoptera* species (sawflies, wasps, bees and ants), arthropod species and *Lepidoptera* species (butterflies and moths).

BOARDMAN LANE:

VEGETATION: According to the previous information provided by the Middlesex Land Trust representative, the plantings occurred during the 2011 growing season. Per the compensatory mitigation plan, an approximately 4-acre area was to be planted with a variety of plant species, to include shrubs and canopy cover woody plant species, as indicated on the enclosed plan (Appendix A, Figure 5). The conditions of the compensatory mitigation plan included the placement of mulch around the plantings. The overall site findings identified during the site visits consisted of a multitude of conditions. The conditions identified within the 4-acre planting area consisted of dense vegetation consisting of a significant amount of multiflora rose, Solidago species, bull thistle (Cirsium vulgare), common milkweed (Asclepias syriaca), New York ironweed (Vernonia noveboracensis) and others. The aerial coverage of herbaceous vegetation within the 4-acre enhancement planting area was approximately 95 percent with approximately 35 percent of the vegetation being invasive species. Approximately 25 woody plantings were identified, to include swamp white oak, red maple and pin oak (Quercus palustris). The swamp white oak was the most numerous of the observed plantings. The shrub plantings observed included silky dogwood (Cornus amomum) and elderberry (Sambucus canadensis) which is consistent with the planting plan. Few plantings were observed. The mentioned woody and shrub plantings were located somewhat outside of the prescribed locations identified on the planting plan. The health of the existing woody and shrub plantings appeared to be positive with a high expected survivability.

The findings of the Fall 2013 visit were that this section had been mowed. The Fall 2014 site visit resulted in findings that some of the partially cut plantings from the 2013 mowing were recovering and have a high survivability rate. However, this segment is significantly overtaken with invasive species which will likely cause the plantings to be negatively impacted. A soil sample was taken within this location (B1) (Appendix C, Figure 2). The soil exhibited a silty loam consistency and was colored 10 YR 4/4 from 0 to 12+ inches with no redox concentrations present. Also, no hydrology indicators were present. The details of this investigation are documented on the enclosed Data Forms (Appendix A, Figure 8), and the location is indicated on the enclosed map (Appendix C, Figure 2). Much of the site is identified as being a wet meadow which would indicate the conditions of wetlands exist, but the soil profile at this location did not exhibit wetland soil criteria.

As stated, the 4-acre area was to be planted with specific species and monitored for invasive species. In accordance with the planting plan, a hedgerow exists approximately midway through the enhancement planting areas (approximately 2 acres of enhancement plantings on the north and approximately 2 acres on the south side of the hedgerow). The section within the hedgerow was densely vegetated with similar herbaceous species, to include invasive species, as the previously mentioned, with the addition of reed canary-grass. The conditions of the approximately 2 acre enhancement planting area on the north side of the hedgerow exhibited similar conditions as the

southern section. A portion of this location had also been mowed per the Fall 2013 site visit. Woody species were not observed. Several shrub species were identified sporadically throughout this area, which included silky dogwood, arrowwood, and speckled alder (*Alnus rugosa*) and are listed on the planting plan. Autumn olive was also identified, which is considered to be an invasive species and should be eradicated. The aerial coverage of autumn olive within this area is approximately 10 percent. The silky dogwood plantings appeared to be the most numerous within this section. The plantings appeared to be healthy and would be expected to have a high survivability rate. However, the invasive species may affect this likelihood. The observed plantings species and totals are identified in Table 3-2.

Table 3-2: Plantings and Observations at Boardman Lane

Area	Cover Type	Scientific Name	Common Name	Plantings	Observed
Wet Meadow	Shrub	Viburnum dentatum	Arrowwood	55	10
		Clethra alnifolia	Sweet pepperbush	60	0
		Vaccinium corybosum	Highbush blueberry	75	0
		Cornus amomum	Silky dogwood	60	34
		Salix discolor	Pussy willow	95	0
		Alnus rugosa	Speckled alder	60	2
		Sambucus canadensis	Elderberry	55	5
PFO	Canopy	Quercus palustris	Pin oak	180	2
		Acer rubrum	Red maple	660	2
		Populus deltoides	Cottonwood	400	0
		Acer saccharinum	Silver maple	240	0
		Quercus bicolor	Swamp white oak	120	21
PFO Planting					
Cluster		Scientific Name	Common Name	Plantings	Observed
Type I		Quercus palustris	Pin oak	30	
		Acer rubrum	Red maple	50	
		Populus deltoides	Cottonwood	20	
		Acer saccharinum	Silver maple	40	Identified
		Quercus bicolor	Swamp white oak	20	Above
Type II		Acer rubrum	Red maple	90	
		Populus deltoides	Cottonwood	70	

The 10-acre area designated as Wet Meadow Grasslands Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management was to be mowed in accordance with specific timeframes (before April 1st and after October 31st). Approximately 1 acre +/- of this 10-acre area lies adjacent to the northernmost location of the enhancement planting area. This area was inundated with pockets of standing water and was vegetated with a variety of OBL, FAC and FACW vegetative species, which included, but not limited to, woolgrass (*Scirpus cyperinus*), Joe Pye weed (*Eutrochium purpureum*), reed canarygrass, common rush, common boneset (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*) and mountain mint (*Pycnanthemum virtinianum*). This area had not been mowed per the findings of the Fall 2013 site visit, but is included in the managed mowing section. Current conditions also show that the area has not been mowed recently, which is consistent with the time of year mowing restrictions. Dryer conditions prevail within the remaining section of the 10-acre invasive species control area.

Few invasive species were identified within this area. Multiple herbaceous species identified include, but are not limited to, *Solidago* species, bull thistle, common milkweed, common boneset,

New York ironweed, knotweed species (*Polygonum*) and grass species. A soil sample was taken within the northern limits of the invasive species control area, and to the west of the enhancement planting area (B2) (Appendix C, Figure 2). The soil exhibited a silty loam consistency and was colored 10 YR 4/2 from 0 to 10 inches with approximately 10 percent redox concentrations colored 10 YR 5/8, and colored 10 YR 5/2 from 10-12+ inches with approximately 10 percent redox concentrations colored 10 YR 5/8. The findings of the soil profile, per the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region*, indicate this soil to be a hydric soil. The details of this investigation are documented on the enclosed Data Forms (Appendix A, Figure 8), and the location is indicated on the enclosed map (Appendix C, Figure 2).

FISH and WILDLIFE: Vertebrate species identified during the site visit of Boardman Lane included various birds briefly flying through the area and amphibians (toads and frogs). Invertebrates observed included *Hymenoptera* species (sawflies, wasps, bees and ants), arthropod species and *Lepidoptera* species (butterflies and moths).

4.0 CONCLUSIONS

SMITH STREET (CUCIA PARK): The majority of the on-site mitigation project appears to be in compliance with the compensatory mitigation planting plan and invasive species management. The plantings identified within the 0.75 buffer planting location correlated with the location and species listed on the planting plan, except for Planting Area 4 (Appendix C, Figure 1), which is identified on the planting plan as being arrowwood – site visit findings identified the plantings as being highbush blueberry. The plantings are doing well, so this is not viewed as negatively affecting the overall mitigation site. In some instances, there were more plantings of particular species than indicated on the planting plan. In other instances, the total number of located plantings of some species was fewer than what is listed on the planting plan, however, it is predicted that the plantings were present, but just difficult to locate due to the dense vegetation. The majority of plantings were healthy and appeared to be thriving with an expected high rate of survivability. However, the majority of the mountain laurel plantings were dead or dying with a low expected survivability of the remaining plantings based on the conditions of the others. Invasive species, to include reed canary-grass, multiflora rose, poison ivy, deer-tongue grass and greenbrier, were identified adjacent to the buffer planting area and within the invasive species control area. These invasive species did not appear to be overtaking the area. There was a large stand of common reed located within the invasive species management area which appears to have increased in size since the Fall 2013 site visit. Sections of the planting areas were consumed by herbaceous vegetation, such as deer-tongue grass, Solidago species and others. If not controlled, these species may hinder the survivability of the deciduous planting species by spreading and choking the plantings.

Recommended actions include:

- 1. Evaluate the plantings, and replace the plantings that did not survive in accordance with the planting plan (Appendix A, Figure 4).
- 2. Eradicate the common reed stand located to the southwest of the buffer plantings area and as indicated on the enclosed map (Appendix C, Figure 1). The stand can be seen in the photos taken at the site identified as Photo 53 and Photo 54.
- 3. Eliminate the invasive species identified within and adjacent to the buffer plantings.
- 4. Continue regular monitoring to ensure removal of invasive species and survival of buffer plantings.

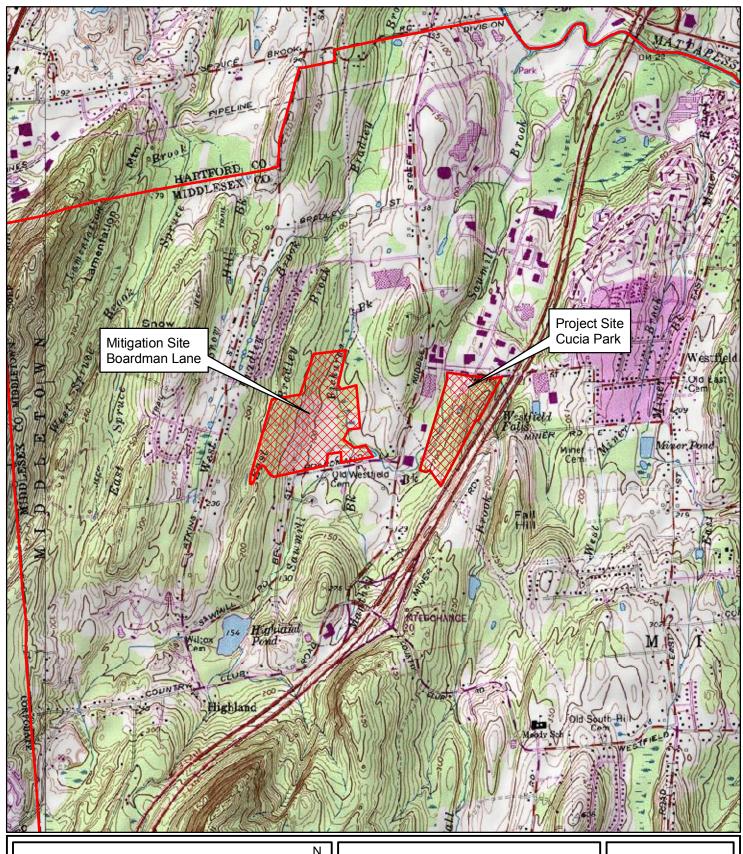
BOARDMAN LANE: The off-site mitigation site is not in compliance. Assuming that the site was planted in accordance with the mitigation plans, many of the plantings are no longer present and may have been eliminated by mowing or invasive species. There were some canopy and shrub enhancement plantings observed within the southern approximately 2-acre area (south of the hedgerow); however, invasive species were engulfing this section. Only shrub plantings were observed in the northern approximately 2-acre section of enhancement planting area (north of the hedgerow). This area was also predominantly vegetated with invasive species. The 10-acre invasive species control and mowing management area appeared to be in accordance with the compensatory mitigation plan. No mowing had occurred, which is consistent with the mitigation plan. Also, invasive species were not as predominant within this section from the Fall 2013 site visit.

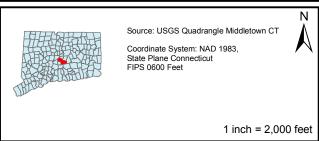
Recommended actions include:

- 1. Locate the surviving plantings within the entire 4-acre enhancement planting area.
 - a. Place mulch around the surviving plantings in accordance with the permit special conditions.
 - b. Replace the plant species, which did not survive or were mowed, in accordance with the planting plan and instructions as indicated on the enclosed plan (Appendix A, Figure 5).
 - c. Clearly mark the enhancement planting area to protect the area from mowing. To do so, the perimeter of the enhancement planting area should be demarcated in the field in a manner that is easily identifiable for monitoring purposes and compliance inspections and shows at a minimum four points on each side of the enhancement area.
- 2. Eradicate the invasive species identified within the enhancement planting area after all surviving plantings have been located and mulch has been placed around.
- 3. In accordance with the recommended actions per the Fall 2013 Monitoring Plan, evaluate the area at the northeast limit of the invasive species control and managed mowing area to determine if this area should remain unmowed due to the wet conditions, or if this area should be mowed in accordance with the mitigation plan and in accordance with the New England District Corps Regulatory Branch.
- 4. Monitor the site on a regular basis to ensure survivability of plantings and control of invasive species.

Appendix A

Maps and Datasheets





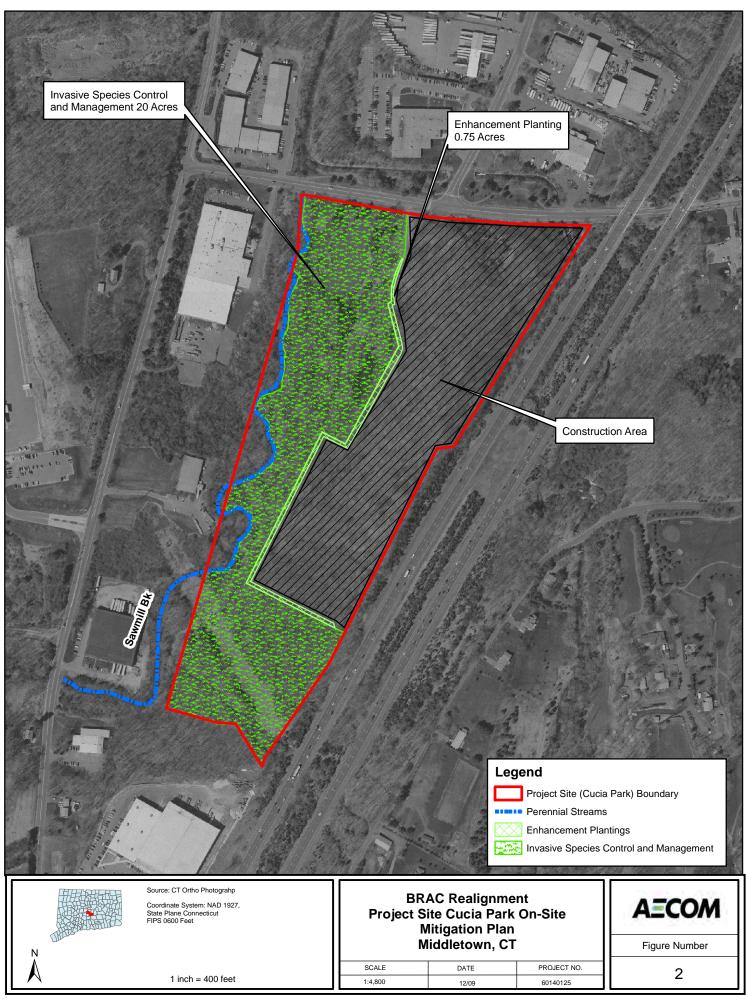
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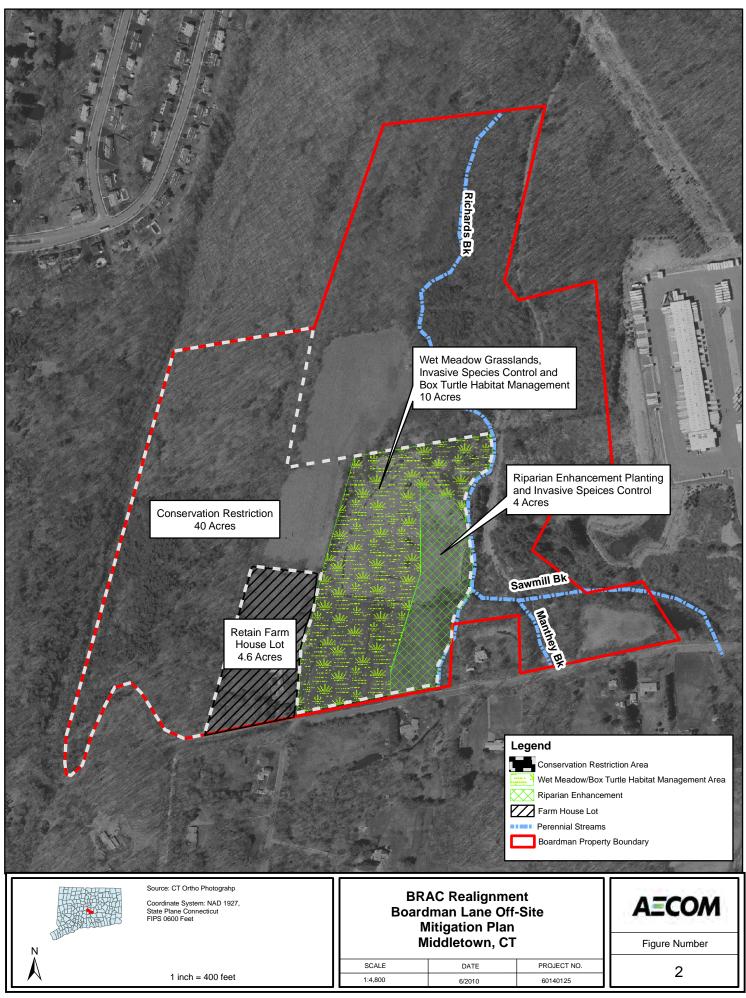
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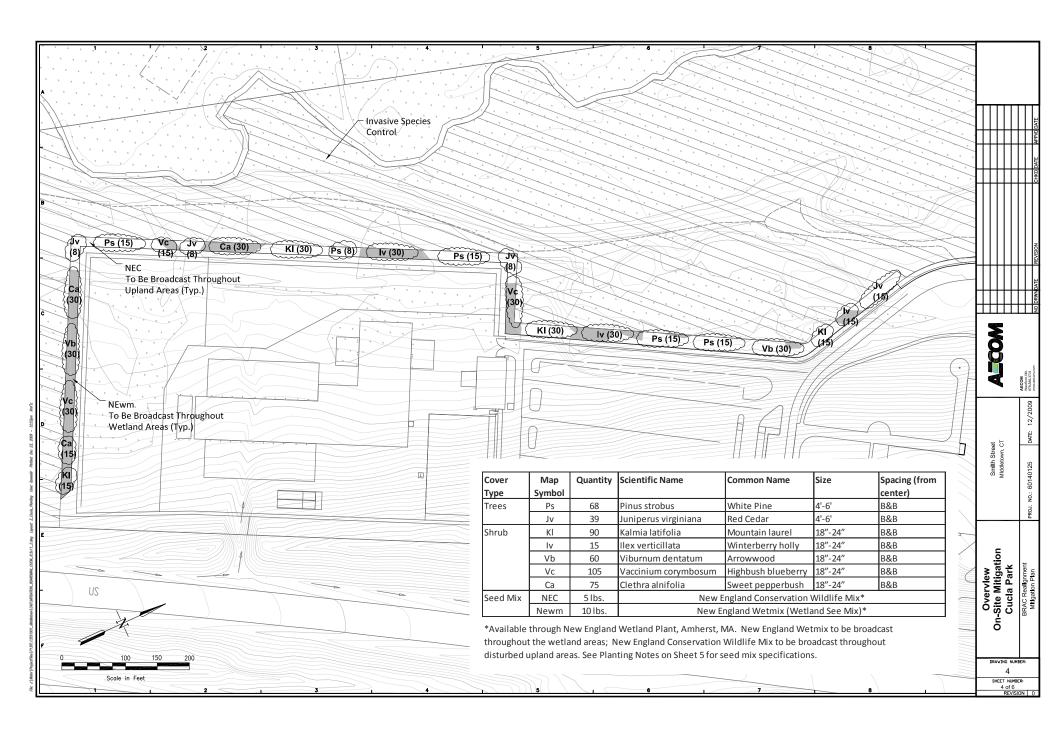
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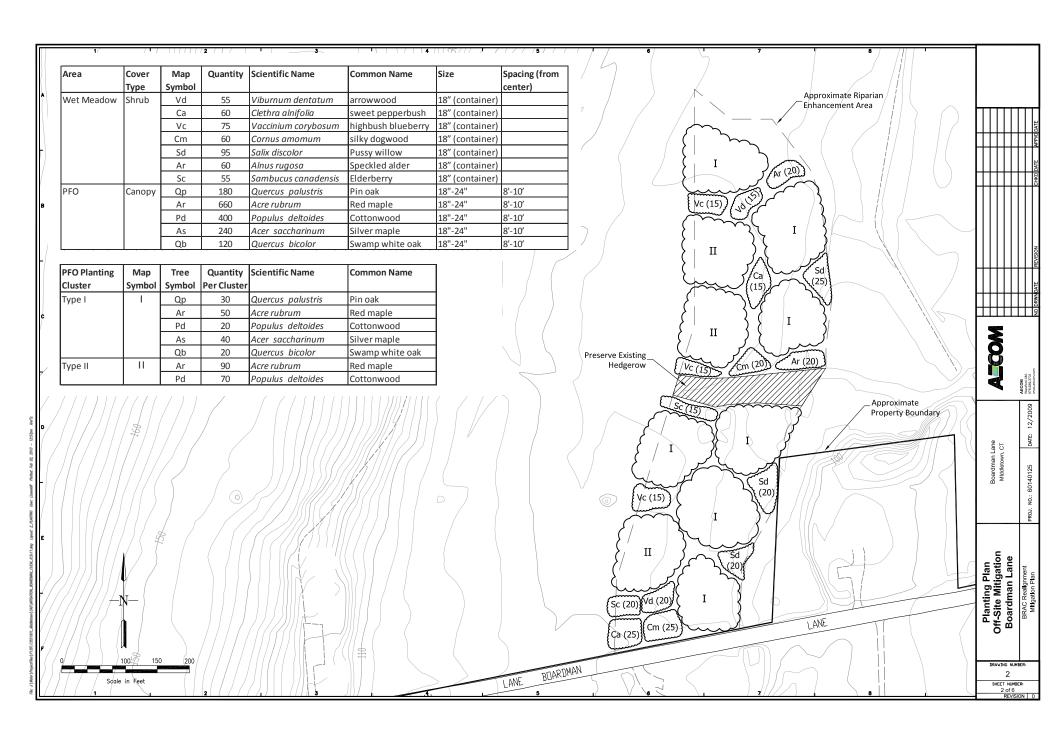
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 99th RSC, Smith Street Site	City/County: Middletown, Middlesex Sampling Date: 9-3-2014
Applicant/Owner: 99th RSC	State: CT Sampling Point: S1
Investigator(s): Tarrie Ostrofsky	Section, Township, Range:
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): flat area adjacent to structure	Local relief (concave, convex, none): none Slope (%): 0-10%
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R Lat: 41.579228	Long: -72.719197 Datum: NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Wilbraham and Menlo	NWI classification:
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y	year? Yes X No (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO significant	
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO naturally	
<u> </u>	g sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report The sampling site is located adjacent to a large building. A portion of not appear to have affected the wetland at the sampling site.	ort.) of the wetland was permanently impacted per a USACE permit. The impact does
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	
	d Leaves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna	
X Saturation (A3)Marl Deposits	
	Ifide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
	zospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1) Comparable Position (D2)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron R Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Su	Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2) urface (C7) Shallow Aquitard (D3)
	n in Remarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	<u> </u>
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	es):
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inche	
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photo	tos, previous inspections), if available:
Remarks: Soils were saturated to 12 inches.	
Solls were saturated to 12 inches.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of	of plants.
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Free Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
Acer rubrum	25	Yes	FAC	
7001 Tubidiii		100	1710	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 5 (A)
				That Ale OBE, I AOV, OI I AO.
				Total Number of Dominant
				Species Across All Strata: 5 (B)
				Percent of Dominant Species
				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:(A/E
				Prevalence Index worksheet:
	25	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
apling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)				OBL species 20 x 1 = 20
Viburnum dentatum	10	Yes	FAC	FACW species 10 x 2 = 20
				FAC species 40 x 3 = 120
				FACU species 0 x 4 = 0
				UPL species 0 x 5 = 0
				Column Totals: 70 (A) 160 (I
·				Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.29
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
	10	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
orb Stratum (Plot size: 15 foot radius)	10	- Total Cover		X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
erb Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	40		0.01	
Juncus effusus	10	Yes	OBL	X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
Cyperus esculentus	5	No	FACW	4 - Morphological Adaptations (Provide supportidata in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
Carex vulpinoidea	10	Yes	OBL	
Dichanthelium clandestinum	5	No	FACW	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
·				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
				be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
·				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diame
				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
0.				Sanling/ahruh Woody plants loss than 2 in DDL
1.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
2.				
·	30	=Total Cover		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardles of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
/oody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	- 30	- Total Gover		
Toxicodendron radicans	5	Yes	FAC	Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft
		165	- FAC	height.
·				Hydrophytic
·				Vegetation
				Present?
	5	=Total Cover		

SOIL Sampling Point: S1

	escription: (Describe	to the d	-			or or con	firm the absence	of indicators.)
Depth	Matrix Color (moist)	%		Feature		Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
(inches)	Color (moist)		Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹			
0-12+	7.5YR 3/2	90	7.5YR 4/6	15	<u>C</u>	M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations
¹ Type: C=	Concentration, D=Dep	letion. R	——————————————————————————————————————	 S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.		cation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
	il Indicators:	,	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,					or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
-	sol (A1)		Polyvalue Below	Surface	e (S8) (LR	RR,		ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic	Epipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B)				Coast Pr	rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black	Histic (A3)		Thin Dark Surfac	e (S9) (LRR R, N	ILRA 149	9B) 5 cm Mu	cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydro	gen Sulfide (A4)		High Chroma Sai	nds (S1	1) (LRR k	(, L)	Polyvalu	e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratif	ied Layers (A5)		Loamy Mucky Mi	neral (F	1) (LRR I	(, L)	Thin Dar	k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ted Below Dark Surfac	e (A11)	Loamy Gleyed M	atrix (F2	2)			nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	Dark Surface (A12)		Depleted Matrix (t Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	/ Mucky Mineral (S1)		X Redox Dark Surfa					podic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)		Depleted Dark St					ent Material (F21)
	/ Redox (S5)		Redox Depression					allow Dark Surface (TF12)
	ed Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LRR	K, L)			Other (E	xplain in Remarks)
Dark \	Surface (S7)							
³ Indicators	of hydrophytic vegeta	tion and	wetland hydrology mus	st be pre	esent, unl	ess distur	rbed or problematic	
	e Layer (if observed):	•						
Type:	nahaa).						Undria Cail Dra	noomt? You Y No
Depth (i	nches).						Hydric Soil Pre	esent? Yes X No No
Remarks:			al and Nambaaat Dania	I C		/: O	O to include the NE	OCC Field Indicators of Hudric Calls
	orm is revised from No D March 2013 Errata. (I							RCS Field Indicators of Hydric Soils
version 7.0	o March 2015 Errata. (1	тир.// w w	w.mcs.usua.gov/mcm	CUI OL_	_DOOO!VI	LIVIO/IIIC	33142p2_001200.d0	50%)

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 99th RSC, Smith Street Site	City/County: M	iddletown, Middlesex	Sampling Date: 9-3-2014
Applicant/Owner: 99th RSC		State:	CT Sampling Point: S2
Investigator(s): Tarrie Ostrofsky	Section, Towns		
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): flat, wooded area		ave, convex, none): none	Slope (%): 0-10%
	,		
	: 41.582439	Long: <u>-72.718699</u>	Datum: NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Wilbraham and Menlo		NWI classi	fication:
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for	or this time of year? Yes	X No (If no, explain	n in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation NO, Soil NO, or Hydrology	NO significantly disturbed?	Are "Normal Circumstances" pr	resent? Yes X No
Are Vegetation NO, Soil NO, or Hydrology	NO naturally problematic?	(If needed, explain any answer	rs in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site m	— ap showing sampling po	oint locations, transects	, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X	No Is the Sam	pled Area	
Hydric Soil Present? Yes	No X within a W		No X
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes	No X If yes, option	onal Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a The sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent to the sampling site is located near but not adjacent site is located near but near but not adjacent site is located near but near but not adjacent site is located near but near but near but near but near but near but near bu	,	pling site is located within the i	nvasive species control area.
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indi	icators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check	k all that apply)	Surface Sc	oil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	_Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage F	Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2)	_Aquatic Fauna (B13)		Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3)	Marl Deposits (B15)		on Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1)	Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)		urrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	Oxidized Rhizospheres on Livir		Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled		Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5)	Thin Muck Surface (C7)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	nic Position (D2) quitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	Other (Explain in Remarks)		graphic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	_ other (Explain in Remarks)		ral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	1		a. 1 oot (20)
Surface Water Present? Yes No X	Depth (inches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No X	Depth (inches):		
Saturation Present? Yes No X	Depth (inches):	Wetland Hydrology Presen	nt? Yes No X
(includes capillary fringe)	<u> </u>	, 0,	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring v	vell, aerial photos, previous insp	ections), if available:	
Remarks:			
Soils were dry.			

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

EGETATION – Use scientific names of plan				Sampling Point: S2
Free Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. Acer rubrum	25	Yes	FAC	Number of Dominant Species
2. Quercus palustris	5	No	FACW	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 5 (A)
3. Juniperus virginiana	5	No	FACU	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 8 (B)
-		_		Opedes Across Air Strata.
). j				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 62.5% (A/B
·				Prevalence Index worksheet:
	35	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)				OBL species 0 x 1 = 0
. Viburnum dentatum	10	Yes	FAC	FACW species 5 x 2 = 10
. Frangula alnus	5	Yes	FAC	FAC species 65 x 3 = 195
<u> </u>				FACU species 30 x 4 = 120
				UPL species 0 x 5 = 0
5.				Column Totals: 100 (A) 325 (B
				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.25
				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
·	15	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
Jorb Stratum (Diet size: 45 feet radius.)	10	Total Cover		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	40	V	FACIL	X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
1. Lonicera japonica	10	Yes	FACU	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
2. Microstegium vimineum	15	Yes	FAC	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supportir data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
3. Rosa multiflora	10	Yes	FACU	
4. Solidago species	5	<u>No</u>		Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
5 5.				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7 3.				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
9.				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
10 11.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
				and greater than or equal to 3.20 ft (1 m) tail.
12		Total Carre		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
Manada Vina Chrotuna (Diataina 45 fact radius)	40	_=Total Cover		of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
Noody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	40	Vaa	E40	Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
1. Toxicodendron radicans	10	Yes	FAC	height.
2. Parthenocissus quinquefolia	5	Yes	FACU	Hydrophytic
3.				Vegetation
4.		_		Present? Yes X No No
	15	=Total Cover		

SOIL Sampling Point: S2

Profile Description: (Describe to the de	-			or or con	firm the absence	of indicators.)
Depth Matrix		Feature	- 1	. 2		
(inches) Color (moist) %	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-12+ 7.5YR 3/3 90					Loamy/Clayey	
	_					
						
	_					
						
	_					
¹ Type: C=Concentration, D=Depletion, RM	 ∕/=Reduced Matrix, M	S=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.	² Loc	cation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil Indicators:	•					or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol (A1)	Polyvalue Below	Surface	(S8) (LR	RR,		ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Epipedon (A2)	MLRA 149B)		, , ,		Coast Pr	airie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black Histic (A3)	Thin Dark Surfac	e (S9) (LRR R, M	LRA 149		cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)	High Chroma Sa					e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
Stratified Layers (A5)	Loamy Mucky M			-		k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)	Loamy Gleyed M			,		nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
Thick Dark Surface (A12)	Depleted Matrix		,			t Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)	Redox Dark Surf)			podic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)	Depleted Dark S					ent Material (F21)
Sandy Redox (S5)	Redox Depression					allow Dark Surface (TF12)
Stripped Matrix (S6)	Marl (F10) (LRR	K, L)			Other (E	xplain in Remarks)
Dark Surface (S7)						
³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and v	vetland hydrology mus	st be pre	esent, unle	ess distur	bed or problematic	
Restrictive Layer (if observed):						
Type:						
Depth (inches):					Hydric Soil Pre	esent? Yes No X
Remarks: This data form is revised from Northcentra	I and Northeast Region	nal Sup	plement \	ersion 2.	0 to include the NF	RCS Field Indicators of Hydric Soils
version 7.0 March 2013 Errata. (http://www						

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 99th RSC, Boardman Lane Site	City/County: Middletown, Middlesex Sampling Date: 9-3-2014
Applicant/Owner: 99th RSC	State: CT Sampling Point: B1
Investigator(s): Tarrie Ostrofsky	Section, Township, Range:
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): flat meadow	
	<u> </u>
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R Lat: 41.578844	
Soil Map Unit Name: Wilbraham and Menlo	NWI classification:
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left($	of year? Yes X No (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO significant	cantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes X No
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO natura	ally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showi	ing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes No X	— I
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No X	
Site is located within the enhancement planting area.	
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that ap	
	ined Leaves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
	Moss Trim Lines (B16) Moss Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Depo	
	Sulfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8) Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	of Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
	on Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)
	Surface (C7) Shallow Aquitard (D3)
	olain in Remarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	_
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (in	nches):
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (in	nches):
Saturation Present? Yes No X Depth (in	nches): Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No X
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial p	photos, previous inspections), if available:
Remarks:	
Soils were dry.	
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.			Sampling Point:	B1
			-	
Abaduta	Dominant	Indicator		

<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>15-foot radius</u>)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:		
1. 2.				Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:3(A)		
3. 4.				Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 5 (B)		
5.				Percent of Dominant Species		
6.				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 60.0% (A/B)		
7.		-Tatal Cavan		Prevalence Index worksheet:		
Carling/Charle Charles (Diet sing) 45 feet redice		=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:		
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)	40	V	E4 0)4/	OBL species 0 x1 = 0		
1. Quercus bicolor	10	Yes	FACW	FACW species 15 x 2 = 30		
2.				FAC species25 x 3 =75		
3				FACU species 25 x 4 = 100		
4.				UPL species10 x 5 =50		
5.				Column Totals: 75 (A) 255 (B)		
6.				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.40		
7.				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:		
	10	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation		
Herb Stratum (Plot size: _15-foot radius_)		-		X 2 - Dominance Test is >50%		
1. Lonicera japonica	5	No	FACW	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹		
2. Cirsium vulgare	15	Yes	FAC	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting		
3. Rosa multiflora	20	Yes	FACU	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)		
4. Solidago species	10	No		Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)		
5. Asclepias syriaca	10	No	UPL	<u> </u>		
6				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology mu be present, unless disturbed or problematic.		
7				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:		
8				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter		
9.				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.		
10.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH		
11.				and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.		
12.						
	60	=Total Cover		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.		
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius)				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in		
1. Toxicodendron radicans	10	Yes	FAC	height.		
2. Parthenocissus quinquefolia	5	Yes	FACU			
3.				Hydrophytic		
4.				Vegetation Present? Yes X No		
	15	=Total Cover				
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a sepa		•				
Remarks. (include prioto numbers here of off a sepa	iale sileel.)					

SOIL Sampling Point: B1

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)								
Depth	Matrix			x Featur		. 2	- .	5
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-12+	10YR 4/4	90					Loamy/Clayey	
								-
	Concentration, D=Dep	oletion, RN	M=Reduced Matrix, M	IS=Mask	ed Sand	Grains.		ocation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
_	oil Indicators:							or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
	sol (A1)	,	Polyvalue Below	/ Surface	e (S8) (LR	RR,		uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
	Epipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B)	(00)		=		rairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
	Histic (A3)	,	Thin Dark Surfa					ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	ogen Sulfide (A4)	•	High Chroma Sa			-		ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	ied Layers (A5)	(0.4.4)	Loamy Mucky M			(, L)		rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	ted Below Dark Surface	ce (ATT)	Loamy Gleyed N		2)			nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	Dark Surface (A12)		Depleted Matrix		`			nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	Mucky Mineral (S1) Gleyed Matrix (S4)	•	Redox Dark Sur Depleted Dark S					podic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B) rent Material (F21)
	/ Redox (S5)	•	Redox Depressi					allow Dark Surface (TF12)
	ed Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LRR					Explain in Remarks)
	Surface (S7)		Wan (1 10) (Like	. IX, L)				Explain in Kemarks)
Bank \	Sundoc (G7)							
³ Indicators	of hydrophytic vegeta	ation and v	vetland hydrology mu	st be pre	esent, unle	ess distur	bed or problemation	2.
	e Layer (if observed)				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
Type:	, (,							
Depth (i	nchoc):						Hydric Soil Pr	esent? Yes No X
							Tiyane Son Ti	esent? Yes No _X
Remarks:			Land Nambaaat Dani	1 0		/' O	O to Southedouble No.	DOO Field to discuss of the dais Online
	orm is revised from No D March 2013 Errata. (RCS Field Indicators of Hydric Soils
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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: 99th RSC, Boardman Lane Site	City/County: Middletown, Middlesex Sampling Date: 9-3-2014
Applicant/Owner: 99th RSC	State: CT Sampling Point: B2
Investigator(s): Tarrie Ostrofsky	Section, Township, Range:
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): flat meadow	Local relief (concave, convex, none): none Slope (%): 0-10%
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): LRR R Lat: 41.580988	Long: -72.728444 Datum: NAD83
Soil Map Unit Name: Wilbraham and Menlo	NWI classification:
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y	
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO significar	
Are Vegetation NO , Soil NO , or Hydrology NO naturally	
	g sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X No	Is the Sampled Area
Hydric Soil Present? Yes X No	within a Wetland? Yes X No
Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate rep Site is located within the enhancement planting area.	ort.)
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	d Leaves (B9) Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Faun Mad Barasita	
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits	
	Ifide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8) zospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
	Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
I 	Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Su	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	in in Remarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	X FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	<u> </u>
Surface Water Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	es):
Water Table Present? Yes No X Depth (inche	es):
Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inche	es): 12 Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial pho	tos, previous inspections), if available:
Remarks:	
Soils were saturated.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants. Sampling Point: Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius) % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** 1. Number of Dominant Species 2. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 3. **Total Number of Dominant** 4. Species Across All Strata: (B) 5. Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6. 75.0% (A/B) Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of: =Total Cover Multiply by: OBL species Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius) 10 **FACW** species 30 x 2 = 1. Yes **FACW** 60 Quercus bicolor 2. Cornus amomum Yes **FACW** FAC species 0 x 3 = 5 0 3. Sambucus canadensis Yes **FACW FACU** species x 4 = 0 4. UPL species x 5 = 5. Column Totals: 60 (A) 90 (B) 6. Prevalence Index = B/A = **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 25 =Total Cover 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation Herb Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius) X 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Lonicera japonica FACW X 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 Juncus effusus 15 OBL 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2 No data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) 5 3. Carex stipata No OBL 4 Solidago species 10 Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) No Asclepias incarnata 10 No 5. OBL ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. Panicum species 50 Yes be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 9. at breast height (DBH), regardless of height. Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall. Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless 95 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 15-foot radius) Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height. 2. Hydrophytic 3. Vegetation Yes X No Present? =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.)

SOIL Sampling Point: B2

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.) Depth Matrix Redox Features										
Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	x reature %	Type ¹	Loc ²	Toyturo	Remarks		
(inches) 0-10	Color (moist) 10YR 4/2	90	10YR 5/8	10	С	M	Texture Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
10-12+	10YR 5/2	80	10YR 5/8	10		M	Loamy/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
10-12+	1011 3/2	80	1011 3/6	10		IVI	Loanly/Clayey	Prominent redox concentrations		
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¹ Type: C-	Concentration, D=De	nletion R	M-Reduced Matrix M	 IS-Mask	ed Sand	Grains	21 0	cation: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.		
	il Indicators:	piction, ix	IVI—Reduced IVIatrix, IV	IO-IVIASK	ca Garia	oranis.		or Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :		
	sol (A1)		Polyvalue Below	/ Surface	(S8) (LR	RR,	2 cm Muck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)			
Histic	Epipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B)				Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)			
Black	Histic (A3)		Thin Dark Surfa	ce (S9) (LRR R, N	ILRA 149	9B)5 cm Mu	5 cm Mucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)		
	gen Sulfide (A4)		High Chroma Sa			-		e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)		
	ied Layers (A5)	(8.4.4)	Loamy Mucky M			(, L)		k Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)		
	ted Below Dark Surfa	ce (A11)	Loamy Gleyed N		2)			Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)		
	Thick Dark Surface (A12) Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) X Depleted Matrix (F3) Redox Dark Surface (F6)				Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B) Mesic Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)					
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)					Red Parent Material (F21)				
	/ Redox (S5)		Redox Depressions (F8)					Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)		
	ed Matrix (S6)				Other (Explain in Remarks)					
Dark S	Surface (S7)									
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³ Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.										
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Appendix B

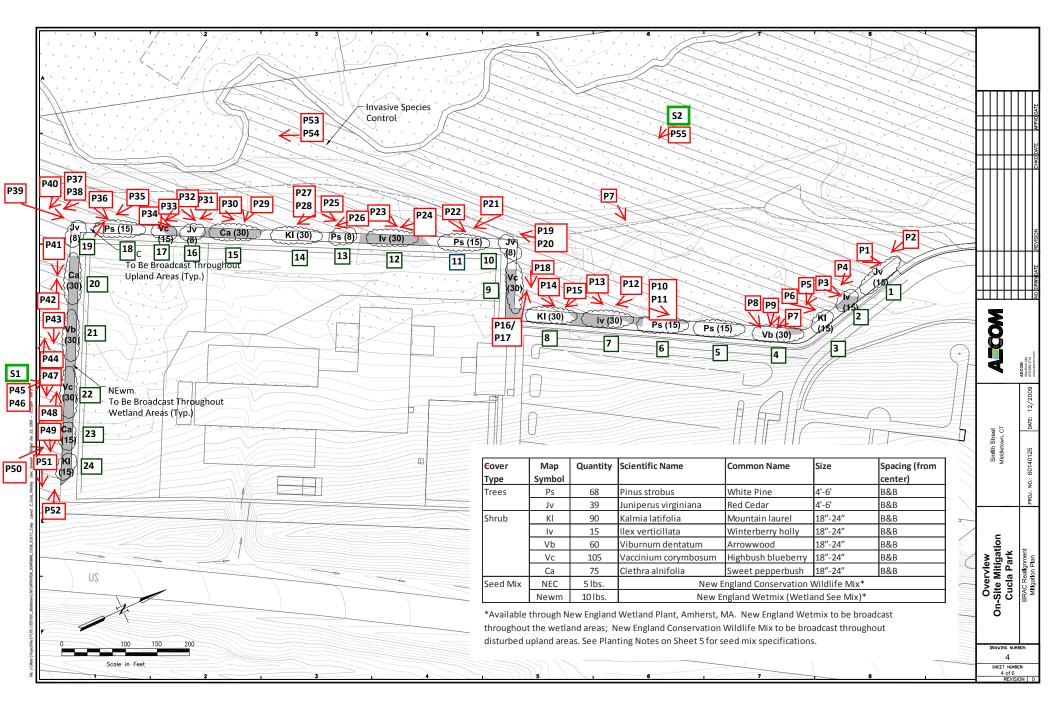
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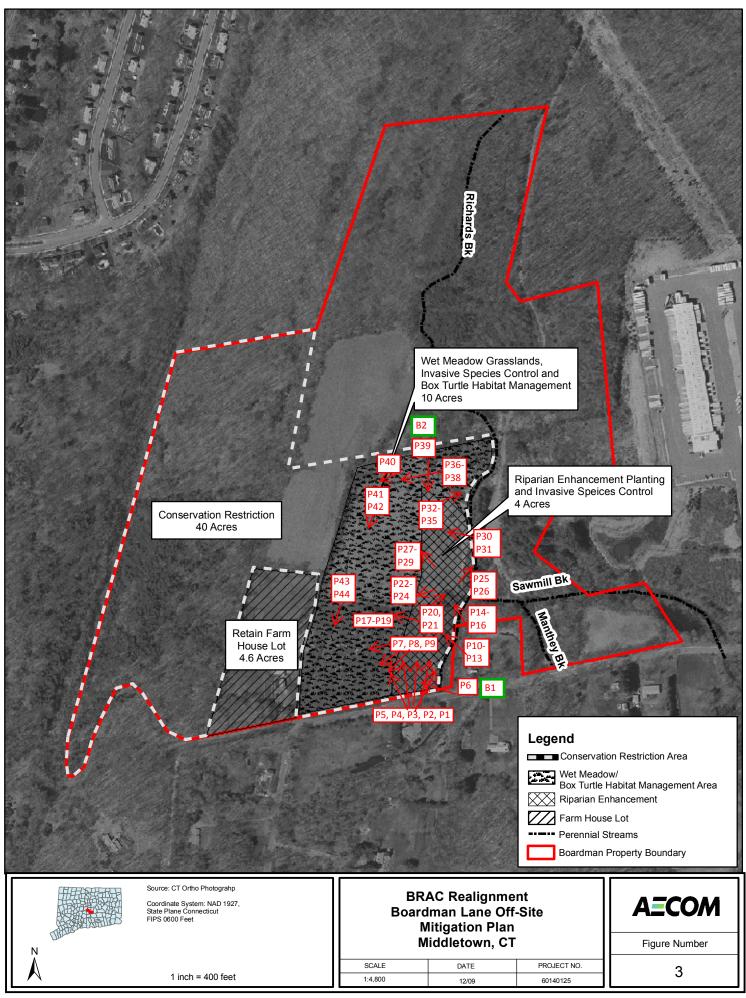
<u>SMITH STREET (CUCIA PARK):</u> Volunteer species of shrubs and trees, above and beyond the planned plantings, were not identified. Multiple emergent vegetative species were present and are included within the body of this report.

<u>BOARDMAN LANE</u>: Volunteer species of shrubs and trees, above and beyond the planned plantings, were not identified. Multiple emergent vegetative species were present and are included within the body of this report.

Appendix C

Photos





Smith Street

(Cucia Park)

Planting Area 1: Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) / 15 plantings observed. (Photo 1 and Photo 2)





Planting Area 2: Winterberry Holly (*Ilex verticillata*) / 12 plantings observed. (Photo 3 and Photo 4)





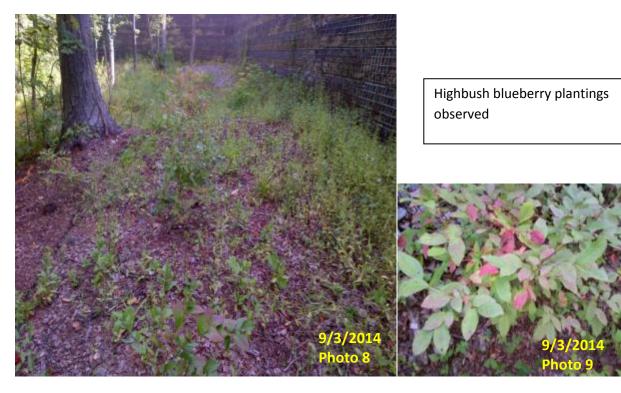
Planting Area 3: Mountain Laurel (*Kalmia latifolia*) / 11 plantings observed—majority have not survived or are struggling. (Photo 5 and Photo 6)





Planting area 4: Should be Arrowwood (*Viburnum dentatum*) but is Highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*) / 28 plantings observed. (Photos 7, Photo 8, and Photo 9)





Planting Areas 5 and 6: White Pine (Pinus strobus) / 39 plantings observed. (Photo 10 and Photo 11)





Planting Area 7: Winterberry Holly (*Ilex verticillata*) / 19 plantings observed. (Photo 12 and Photo 13)





Planting Area 8: Mountain Laurel (Kalmia latifolia) / 24 plantings observed. (Photo 14 and Photo 15)



Mountain Laurel



Mountain Laurel

Planting Area 9: Highbush Blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*) / 18 plantings observed. (Photo 16, Photo 17, and Photo 18)





Planting Area 10: Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) / 9 plantings observed. (Photo 19 and Photo 20)





Planting Area 11: White Pine (Pinus strobus) / 14 plantings observed. (Photo 21 and Photo 22)





Planting Area 12: Winterberry Holly (*Ilex verticillata*) / 18 plantings observed. (Photo 23 and Photo 24)





Planting Area 13: White Pine (Pinus strobus) / 11 plantings observed. (Photo 25 and Photo 26)





Planting Area 14: Mountain Laurel (Kalmia latifolia) / 24 plantings observed. (Photo 27 and Photo 28)



Mountain Laurel



Mountain Laurel

Planting Area 15: Sweet Pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia) / 16 plantings observed. (Photo 29 and Photo 30)





Planting Area 16: Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) / 10 plantings observed) (Photo 31 and Photo 32)





Planting Area 17: Highbush Blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*)/ 9 plantings observed. (Photo 33 and Photo 34)

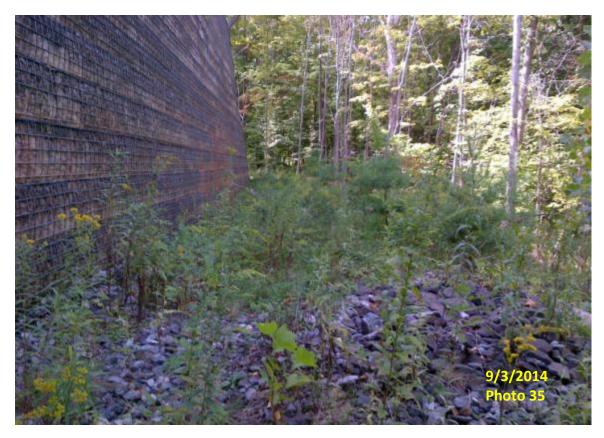


Highbush Blueberry



Highbush Blueberry

Planting Area 18: White Pine (Pinus strobus) / 16 plantings observed. (Photo 35 and Photo 36)





Planting Area 19: Red Cedar (*Juniperus virginiana*) / 11 plantings identified. (Photo 37 and Photo 38)





NEC Planting Location. (Photo 39 and Photo 40)





Planting Area 20: Sweet Pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia) / 24 plantings observed. (Photo 41 and Photo 42)





Planting Area 21: Arrowwood (Viburnum dentatum) / 23 plantings observed. (Photo 43 and Photo 44)





NEwm seed mix and soil sampling location (S1). (Photo 45 and Photo 46)





Planting Area 22: Highbush Blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*) / 14 plantings observed. (Photo 47 and Photo 48)





Planting Area 23: Sweet Pepperbush (Clethra alnifolia) / 13 plantings observed. (Photo 49 and Photo 50)





Planting Area 24: Mountain Laurel (Kalmia latifolia) / 11 plantings observed. (Photo 51 and Photo 52)





Common reed (*Phragmites australis*) location. (Photo 53 and Photo 54)





Soil sample 2 location (S2). (Photo 55)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 1 and Photo 2)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 3 and Photo 4)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 5). B1 Soil Sample Location (Photo 6)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement Area and Invasive Species Control Area / Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 7 and Photo 8)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 9 and Photo 10)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 11 and Photo 12)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 13 and Photo 14)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 15 and Photo 16)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area / Hedgerow (Photo17 and Photo 18)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area / Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 19). Riparian Enhancement Area at Hedgerow (Photo 20)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area / Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area at Hedgerow (Photo 21). Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 22)





Boardman Lane: Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 23). Riparian Enhancement Area and Invasive Species Control (Photo 24)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 25 and Photo 26)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 27 and Photo 28)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 29 and Photo 30)





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Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 33 and Photo 34)





Boardman Lane: Riparian Enhancement and Invasive Species Control Area (Photo 35 and Photo 36)





Boardman Lane: Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 37 and Photo 38)





Boardman Lane: B2 Soil Sample Location (Photo 39). Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 40)





Boardman Lane: Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area (Photo 41 and Photo 42)





Boardman Lane: Invasive Species Control and Box Turtle Habitat Management Area at Hedgerow (Photo 43 and Photo 44)



