# **ATTACHMENT 8**



### WETLAND INSPECTION

February 22, 2023 APT Project No.: CT524100

**Prepared For:** MCM Holdings, LLC

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Hartford, Connecticut 06105-2327

Attn: Virginia King

**Site Name:** BSA Redding

Site Address: John Sherman Hoyt Scout Camp

3 Marchant Road, Redding, Connecticut

**Date of Investigation:** 12/20/2022

**Field Conditions:** Weather: sunny, low 40's

Soil Moisture: dry to moist

Wetland/Watercourse Delineation Methodology1:

□ Connecticut Inland Wetlands and Watercourses

□U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

**Municipal Upland Review Area:** 

Wetlands: 100 feet

Watercourses: 150 feet

The wetlands inspection was performed by<sup>2</sup>:

Matthew Gustafson, Registered Soil Scientist

Enclosures: Wetland Delineation Field Forms & Wetland Inspection Map

This report is provided as a brief summary of findings from APT's wetland investigation of the referenced Study Area that consists of proposed development activities and areas generally within 200 feet.<sup>3</sup> If applicable, APT is available to provide a more comprehensive wetland impact analysis upon receipt of site plans depicting the proposed development activities and surveyed location of identified wetland and watercourse resources.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Wetlands and watercourses were delineated in accordance with applicable local, state and federal statutes, regulations and guidance.

<sup>2</sup> All established wetlands boundary lines are subject to change until officially adopted by local, state, or federal regulatory agencies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> APT has relied upon the accuracy of information provided by MCM Holdings, LLC and its contractors regarding proposed lease area and access road/utility easement locations for identifying wetlands and watercourses within the study area.

## **Attachments**

- Wetland Delineation Field Forms
- Wetland Inspection Map

## **Wetland Delineation Field Form**

Wetland I.D.:	Wetland 1			
Flag #'s:	WF 1-01 to 1-15			
Flag Location Method:	Site Sketch ⊠ GPS (sub-meter) located ⊠		ub-meter) located ⊠	
WETLAND HYDROLO	GY:			
NONTIDAL ⊠				
Intermittently Flooded	]	Artificially Flooded □		Permanently Flooded □
Semipermanently Floode		Seasonally Flooded □		Temporarily Flooded □
Permanently Saturated		Seasonally Saturated – seep	age 🗵	Seasonally Saturated - perched
Comments: Northern extents of Wetland 1 consist of a broad seasonally saturated system that narrows to a singular seasonal and anthropogenic intermittent watercourse channel that convey flows under an existing crossing consisting of four 12-inch corrugated metal culverts.				
TIDAL □				
Subtidal		Regularly Flooded		Irregularly Flooded □
Irregularly Flooded □				
Comments: None				
WETLAND TYPE: SYSTEM:				
Estuarine		Riverine		Palustrine 🗵
Lacustrine		Marine   Marine		
Comments: None				
CLASS:				
Emergent		Scrub-shrub □	Forested ⊠	
Open Water	n Water □ Disturbed ⊠ Wet Meadow □		Wet Meadow □	
Comments: Red maple, v	vhite o	ak and green ash dominate th	e oversto	ory with shagbark hickory codominant
within transitional areas.				
WATERCOURSE TYPE	E:			
Perennial		Intermittent ⊠	,	Γidal □
Watercourse Name: Unn	amed	•		
				hern extents of the delineated wetland
to a singular channel with	thin a	well confined bank/channel r		This watercourse is characterized by
±5-foot wide channel and	d a san	dy/cobble bottom.		

#### **Wetland Delineation Field Form (Cont.)**

SPECIAL AQUATIC I	<b>HABITAT:</b>
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Vernal Pool Yes □ No ⊠ Potential □	Other	
Vernal Pool Habitat Type:	•	
Comments: None		
SOILS:		
Are field identified soils consistent with NRCS mapped soils?	Yes ⊠	No □
If no, describe field identified soils		

#### **DOMINANT PLANTS:**

Red Maple (Acer rubrum)	White Oak (Quercus alba)
Shagbark Hickory (Carya ovata)	Tussock Sedge (Carex stricta)
Cinnamon Fern (Osmunda cinnamomea)	Highbush Blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum)
Spicebush (Lindera benzoin)	Japanese Barberry* (Berberis thunbergii)
Winged Euonymus* (Euonymus alata)	Green Ash (Fraxinus pennsylvanica)

<sup>\*</sup> denotes Connecticut Invasive Species Council invasive plant species

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

APT understands that MCM proposes to construct a wireless telecommunications facility on the north-central portion of the Boy Scouts of America John Sherman Hoyt Scout Camp. The proposed MCM facility would be located just southeast of the southeast corner of a gravel parking lot in an upland forested area. A nearby wetland, identified as Wetland 1, was delineated within ±48 feet west of the proposed facility.

Wetland 1 is a headwater hillside seep system located in the central portion of the camp. Southern extents of the resource are characterized by a broader forested system dominated by red maple (*Acer rubrum*), white oak (*Quercus alba*) and green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*). As the wetland drains north it narrows into a braided seasonal intermittent watercourse that eventually converges to a singular anthropogenic channel. This stream is approximately 5 feet wide with a sandy cobble bottom that travels through four 12-inch corrugated metal culverts and continues north away from the project area.

## **Wetland Delineation Field Form**

Wetland I.D.:	Wetland 2				
Flag #'s:	Flag #'s: WF 2-01 to 2-10				
Flag Location	Site Sketch	$\boxtimes$	GPS	(sub-meter) located ⊠	
Method:					
WETLAND HYD	ROLOGY:				
NONTIDAL ⊠					
Intermittently Floo	oded 🗆	Artificially Flooded □		Permanently Flooded □	
Semipermanently	Flooded	Seasonally Flooded $\boxtimes$		Temporarily Flooded □	
Permanently Satur		Seasonally Saturated – seepag		Seasonally Saturated - perched	
				located within a topographic ravine seasonal flooding at the base of slope.	
TIDAL 🗆					
Subtidal	al □ Regularly Flooded			Irregularly Flooded □	
Irregularly Floode	rly Flooded □				
Comments: None					
WETLAND TYPE	Œ:				
Estuarine $\square$		Riverine	Ī	Palustrine 🗵	
Lacustrine					
Comments: None					
CLASS:					
Emergent				Forested 🗵	
Open Water $\square$ Disturbed $\square$ Wet Meadow $\square$					
Comments: Domi understory.	nant forest co	over of red maple and yellow b	oirch th	nroughout the complex with a sparse	
WATERCOURSE	TYPE:				
Perennial		Intermittent	7	Γidal □	
Watercourse Nam	e:				

Comments: None

#### **Wetland Delineation Field Form (Cont.)**

	SPECIAL	<b>AOUA</b>	TIC H	<b>ABITA</b>	T:
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Vernal Pool Yes ⊠ No □ Potential □	Other	
Vernal Pool Habitat Type: 'Classic'		
Comments: A vernal pool survey in 2017 conducted by APT consylvatica), an obligate vernal pool species. APT will be conducting a 2023 season to update this data.		
SOILS:		
Are field identified soils consistent with NRCS mapped soils?	Yes ⊠	No □
If no, describe field identified soils		

#### **DOMINANT PLANTS:**

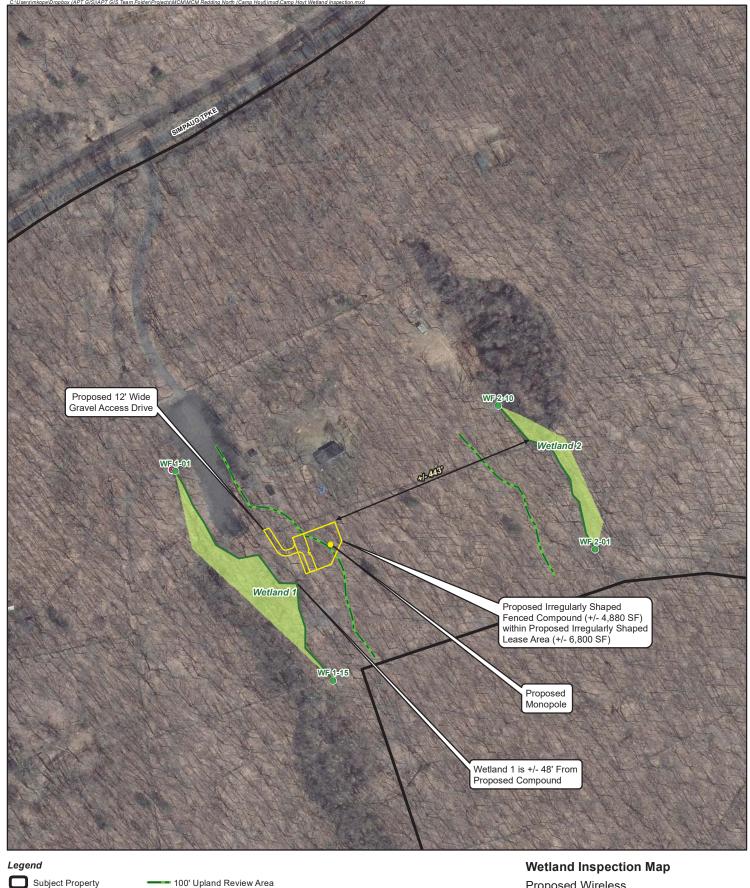
Tussock Sedge (Carex stricta)	Highbush Blueberry (Vaccinium corymbosum)
Yellow Birch (Betula alleghaniensis)	Red Maple (Acer rubrum)
Spicebush (Lindera benzoin)	Silky Dogwood (Cornus amomum)
Sphagnum moss (Sphagnum spp.)	

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APT understands that MCM proposes to construct a wireless telecommunications facility on the north-central portion of the Boy Scouts of America John Sherman Hoyt Scout Camp. The proposed MCM facility would be located just southeast of the southeast corner of a gravel parking lot in an upland forested area. A distant wetland, identified as Wetland 2, was delineated within ±443 feet east of the proposed facility.

Wetland 2 begins as a narrow, channel-like seasonally saturated hillside seep that parallels a historic stone wall along the western boundary. As the complex drains north downslope, the system broadens to an area of seasonal flooding with approximately 6-inches of inundation present during the inspection; this inundation area supports vernal pool habitat. Tussock sedge (*Carex stricta*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), and spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*) occur on hummocks that have formed throughout the complex as a result of the seasonal flooding. Red maple (*Acer rubrum*) and yellow birch (*Betula alleghaniensis*) were the dominant tree species interspersed throughout the complex. A previous vernal pool survey conducted during the 2017 spring breeding season confirmed the pools' ability to support breeding of obligate species. This survey data will be updated with a spring 2023 vernal pool survey.



Subject Property

Proposed Monopole

Proposed Site Layout Existing Culvert (By Others)

Wetland Flag

**Proposed Wireless** Telecommunications Facility Camp Hoyt Redding 3 Marchant Road Redding, Connecticut



**Delineated Wetland Boundary** 

Approximate Wetland Area



