

To: Mr. Compton Donohue East Point Energy 310 4th Street NE, 3rd Floor Charlottesville, VA 22902

Date: September 27, 2024

Memorandum

Project #: 42790.00

From: Sara Berryman, CSS

VHB

Re: Amendment to Wetland and Watercourse Delineation Report, Oxford

Energy Center, LLC, dated June 24, 2021

VHB has prepared this memo as an amendment to the Wetland and Watercourse Delineation Report that was previously prepared for the Oxford Energy Center project in Oxford, CT (Figure 1), dated June 24, 2021. The original delineation field work was conducted on June 1-2 of 2021. A more recent site visit conducted on March 20, 2024, concluded that the boundaries of Wetland 4 that were previously delineated during the original field work have been extended into the wooded area to the east.

Wetland Area 4

Wetland Area 4 is located near the center of the Study Area within the utility right-of-way (ROW), starting near the gravel access road and spreading to the east towards North Larkey Road (Figure 2). Wetland Area 4 encompasses approximately 0.33 acres.

Topography, Hydrology, and Soils

Wetland 4 is primarily flat within the utility ROW and forested area; however, slight upgradient slopes are present in the wooded area towards North Larkey Road. The area is suspected of being fed by stormwater runoff from the surrounding upgradient areas. An intermittent stream (Stream 2) was also delineated during the revisit that flows west from Wetland Area 4 across the access road and into Wetland Area 2.



Photo 1 – Looking west from treeline in Wetland Area 4

Soils in Wetland Area 4 consisted of saturated, poorly drained, fine sandy loam overlayed with a thick layer (eight inches) of mucky mineral soil. A restrictive layer of rock was encountered at 12 inches below ground surface. The upper horizon consisted of very brown/black (10YR 2/1) muck, underlain by light gray depleted (10YR 5/1) fine sandy loam with approximately 5% redoximorphic concentrations. The water table was observed at approximately five inches below ground surface, and waterstained leaves were present.

Vegetation

Vegetation in Wetland Area 4 is dominated scrub-shrub and herbaceous cover within the ROW limits, and saplings and mature trees in the

forested area. Please refer to Table 1 below for dominant vegetation species observed within the wetland.



TABLE 1: Dominant Vegetation in Wetland Area 4

Trees and Saplings						
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Acer saccharum	Sugar maple	FACU	X	X		
Alnus incana	Speckled alder	FACW	-	X		
Fagus grandifolia	American beech	FACU	Χ	X		
Quercus palustris	Pin oak	FACW	Χ	X		
Shrubs / Herbaceous Plants						
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Cornus alba	Red-osier dogwood	FACW	X	X		
Kalmia angustifolia	Sheep laurel	FAC	Χ	X		
Carex scoparia	Broom sedge	FACW	-	X		
Dichanthelium clandestinum	Deer-tongue	FACW	-	X		
Dryopteris intermedia	Intermediate wood fern	FAC	Х	X		
Solidago rugosa	Wrinkle-leaved goldenrod	FAC	-	Х		

Wetlands

Wetland Area 4 was delineated, based on the above-described wetland indicator characteristics. This wetland area is under the jurisdiction of both the CTDEEP and the USACE based on applicable identification criteria met.

If any questions arise in relation to this memo, please contact me at 860-807-4336.

Sincerely,

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Figure:

Figure 1 – USGS Site Location Map

Figure 2 – Delineated Resources Map

Appendices:

Appendix A – Wetland Delineation Data Sheets



FIGURES

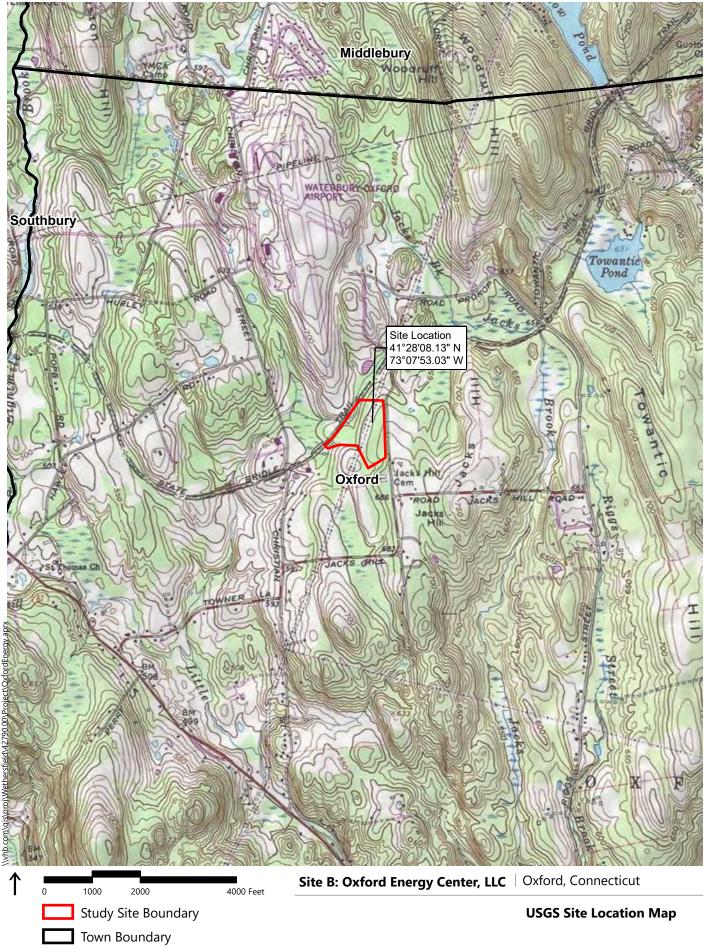
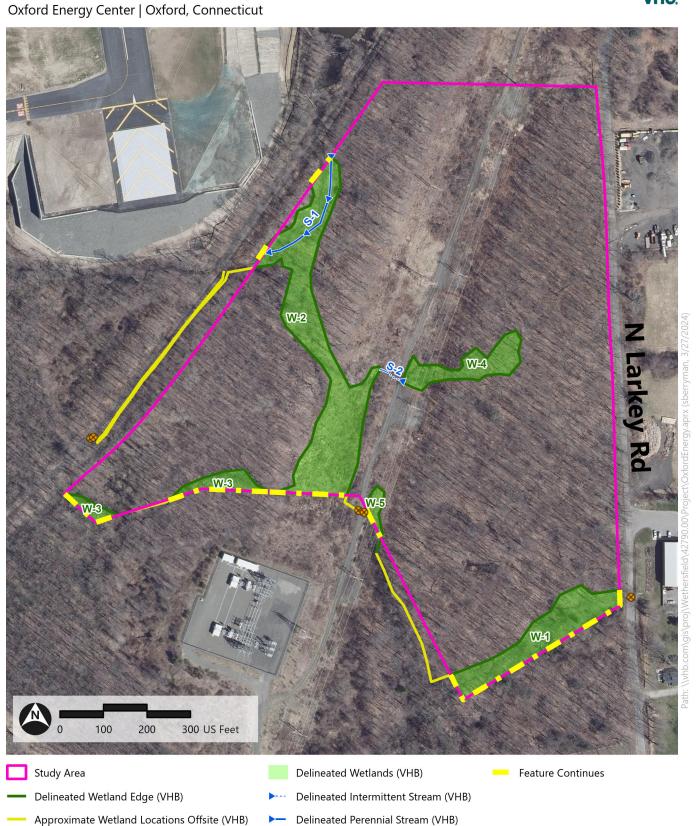


Figure 2: Delineated Resources Map







APPENDIX A WETLAND DELINEATION DATA SHEETS

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast I

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region See ERDC/EL TR-07-24; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

OMB Control #: 0710-xxxx, Exp: Pending Requirement Control Symbol EXEMPT: (Authority: AR 335-15, paragraph 5-2a)

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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Sampling Point: Wet4

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2. Cornus alba	15	Y	FACW	FAC species 35 x 3 = 105
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2. Dichanthelium clandestinum	15	<u> </u>	FACW	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting
3. Carex scoparia	10	<u> </u>	FACW	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
4. Dryopteris intermedia	10	<u> </u>	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
5				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
6.				be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
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9.				diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
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11.				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
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June 24, 2021

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Mr. Compton Donohue Oxford Energy Center, LLC 200 Garrett Street, Suite J Charlottesville, Virginia 22902

Re: Wetland & Watercourse Delineation Report

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Dear Mr. Donohue,

At your request, Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB) completed an on-site investigation to delineate the limits and extents of wetlands and watercourses on the Oxford Energy Center, LLC site (Herein referred to as, 'Project site' or 'Study Area'). This report includes descriptions of site conditions, including topography, soils onsite, hydrology and vegetation, as well as photographic documentation of conditions onsite (Appendix A), and a Delineated Wetlands Map (Figure 5), displaying the presence/absence of verified onsite.

EVALUATION LIMITS AND DUE DILIGENCE

Prior to visiting the site, VHB performed a desktop review evaluating existing conditions onsite with the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soils mapper (Web Soil Survey: Web Soil Survey (Home (usda.gov), CTECO Map Viewer (http://cteco.uconn.edu/viewers/index.htm), and USFWS's National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) and the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CTDEEP) wetlands data sets.

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

The site is bisected by the utilities right-of-way (ROW) and is bounded by a public recreational walking path to the west, a small residential building and forested area to the north, North Larkey Road to the east and a utility substation and forested area to the south (Figure 1). Topography onsite varies from 680ft on the eastern border, to 620ft on the western border, and 615ft on the southwestern corner (Figure 2). To the east of the ROW, the site gently slopes to the west, which continues to the west of the ROW. However, the northwestern portion of the site concaves into a depression along the public walkway path adjacent to the site, and the southwestern portion of the site quickly slopes into the southwestern corner. Note, the southwestern border of the site

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adjacent to the public walkway path consists of a large increase in slope from the walkway grade. This sudden increase in elevation continues north approximately halfway up the site border.

Little River is mapped onsite on the western portion of the site which ultimately drains into the Housatonic River and the Atlantic Ocean. No other watercourse is mapped onsite. The NRCS identified multiple soil units onsite, listed below. Per the NRCS and confirmed onsite, the soil unit definitions for soils onsite are:

Wetland Soils

Ridgebury, Leicester and Whitman Complex (3), stony fine sandy loam

Ridgebury Soils

The Ridgebury complex is a very deep poorly drained soil that includes poorly drained Leicester, and very poorly drained Whitman soils formed in till derived mainly from granite, gneiss and schist. Ridgebury soils on the landscape are in slightly concave areas and shallow drainageways of till uplands with slopes that range from 0-8 percent. Depth to the perched seasonal high-water table from November to May, or longer, is perched above the densic materials. The soils diagnostic horizons include an ochric epipedon (0 to 5 inches (A horizon)), aeric feature 100 percent of the zone from 5 to 9 inches (Bw1 horizon), and a cambic horizon (5 to 18 inches (Bw and Bg horizons)). Densic contact root limiting material begins at 18 inches (Cd). Endosaturation occurs within the zone from 9 to 18 inches and is saturated above the densic contact (Bw2 horizon).

Leicester Soils

The Leicester series consists of very deep, poorly drained loamy soils formed in friable till. They are nearly level or gently sloping soils in drainage ways and low-lying positions on hills. Slope ranges from 0 to 8 percent. Permeability is moderate or moderately rapid in the surface layer and subsoil and moderate to rapid in the substratum. The horizons and features recognized in this pedon are an ochric epipedon in the zone from 1 to 7 inches (A horizon) and a cambic horizon in the zone from 7 to 23 inches (Bg and BC horizons). There is also an aquic moisture regime as indicated by chroma of 2 in Bg horizon but with chroma too high within 30 inches (chroma 3 in BC horizon) to qualify for Typic Endoaquepts. This series also contains an endoadquepts subgroup based on saturation to a depth of 200 cm from the mineral soil surface. There is an aeric great group based on matrix color and a chroma of 3 or more in one subhorizon between the Ap and 75 cm. (BC horizon) and the particle-size class in control section ranges from 10 to 40 inches and is considered coarse loamy type of soil.



Whitman Soils

The Whitman series consists of very deep, very poorly drained soils formed in glacial till derived mainly from granite, gneiss, and schist. They are shallow to a densic contact. These soils are nearly level or gently sloping soils in depressions and drainageways on uplands. Permeability is moderate or moderately rapid in the solum and slow or very slow in the substratum. The diagnostic horizons and features in this pedon include an umbric epipedon in the zone from the soil surface to a depth of 10 inches (Ap horizon) and a cambic horizon in the zone from 10 to 18 inches (Bg horizon). This soil also has aquic conditions as evidenced by a chroma of 1 in the Bg horizon. A densic contact is also present with the root limiting layer beginning at 18 inches. Whitman soils are considered to have a shallow depth class because the depth to the densic contact is less than 20 inches (Cd1 is at 18 inches).

Woodbridge (46B) fine sandy loam

The Woodbridge series consists of moderately well drained loamy soils formed in subglacial till. They are very deep to bedrock and moderately deep to a densic contact. They are nearly level to moderately steep soils on till plains, hills, and drumlins. Slope ranges from 0 to 25 percent. The soils formed in acid till derived mostly from schist, gneiss, and granite. Diagnostic horizons include an ochric epipedon from 0 to 7 inches (Ap horizon), and a cambic horizon from 7 to 30 inches (Bw horizons). Aquic features (low chroma iron depletions) may occur within a 24-inch depth (Bw2 horizon).

Upland Soils

Paxton and Montauk (84B and C) fine sandy loams, varied slopes

The Paxton series consists of well drained loamy soils formed in glacial till. The soils are very deep to bedrock and moderately deep to a densic contact. Paxton soils are nearly level to steep and are on till plains, hills, and drumlins. Slope commonly is 0 to 35 percent but ranges from 0 to 45 percent in some pedons. The soils formed in acid subglacial till derived mostly from schist, gneiss, and granite. Diagnostic horizons and features include an ochric epipedon from 0 to 8 inches (Ap horizon), a cambic horizon from 8 to 26 inches (Bw horizon) and includes dense till material from 26 to 65 inches (Cd horizon).

Wetlands

A portion of Little River flows briefly into the site along the northwestern boundary, which is classified as Riverine Unknown Perennial Unconsolidated Bottom Permanently Flooded (USFWS: R5UBH) (Figure 4) Directly adjacent to the site, a minor Palustrine Forested Broad-leaved Deciduous, Seasonally Flooded/Saturated wetland is mapped at the southwest corner of the site



(PFO1E). The CTDEEP dataset also maps wetlands through the center of the western portion of the site, connecting offsite to the eastern portion of the site, where additional wetlands are mapped.

Field reconnaissance further evaluated the presence/absence of wetlands onsite, discussed below.

Vegetation

The majority of the site is anticipated to be vegetated with deciduous canopy trees based on aerial imagery. The utility right-of-way is anticipated to be scrub-shrub dominate based on aerial imagery. Field reconnaissance further evaluated vegetation onsite, discussed below.

FIELD VERIFIED WETLANDS

VHB performed a site evaluation to determine the presence/absence of wetlands onsite and verify the limits and extents of any resources present on June 1 and June 2, 2021. The evaluation was completed on Parcel No. 25/25/1/BB2, located along North Larkey Road, Oxford, CT. Approximately 0.4in of rainfall fell on May 31, 2021, although normal summer conditions were observed onsite.

In order to reach a positive wetland determination, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Northcentral and Northeast Region identifies the following required criteria: a dominance of hydrophytic vegetation, soil characteristics, and the presence of wetland hydrology. In addition, the CTDEEP focuses the identification of wetlands on soil characteristics (Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Act §22a-38 CGS). Specifically, if soils are poorly, very poorly drained, or alluvial and/or floodplain soils. These criteria are detailed below for uplands and each of the wetland areas field verified onsite.

Please note, as shown on Figure 5, all wetland areas verified by wetland scientists are hydrologically connected, and ultimately are part of one larger, contiguous wetland complex. However, while each portion of the overall wetland onsite are similar, topography and vegetation are not exact matches. Soil characteristics remain similar and near consistent.

As such, please see detailed descriptions of each portion of the wetland complex confirmed onsite:

Wetland Area 1

As shown on Figure 5, a palustrine forested deciduous (PFO6) wetland area (0.60 acres) was identified along the southeastern border of the site.

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

Topography at this wetland location slopes to the south, ranging from 675ft to 665ft. Located on a gentle slope, this depressional wetland did not include a flowing stream channel, but is sourced by a culvert located along North Larkey Road, at the southeastern corner of the site. No flowing



water was observed despite recent heavy rainfall in the region, and although no defined stream channel exists, this wetland area is saturated in ± 5 -8in of surface water.

As shown in Appendix B, soils at Wetland Area 1 consisted of saturated, poorly drained fine sandy loams. Soils ranged from very dark brown (10YR 2/2) near the surface, and very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) to very dark gray (7.5YR 3/1) at 7-14in below ground surface. Throughout the soil sample column, soil samples were heavily saturated with water, and once 14 inches was reached, soils were not discernable. A rocky restrictive layer was encountered after 21-24in. While redoximorphic characteristics were observable, heavy saturation in the soil sample cause poor soil cohesion.

Vegetation

Vegetation within Wetland Area 1 was inclusive of herbaceous cover, shrubs, and forested canopy trees. Reference Table 1 – Dominant Vegetation in Wetland Area 1 for a summary of species identified. Shrubs were not present in this area, with the forest being dominated by mature canopy trees and herbaceous forest floor cover.

TABLE 1: Dominate Vegetation in Wetland Area 1

Trees and Saplings						
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	FAC	-	X		
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	FAC	-	X		
Betula populifolia	Grey Birch	FAC	1	X		
Betula alleghaniensis	Yellow Birch	FAC	-	X		
Alnus incana	Speckled Alder	FACW	-	Х		
Carpinus caroliniana	American Hornbeam	FAC	-	Х		
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green Ash	FACW	-	X		
	Shrubs / Herba	ceous Plan	ts			
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Symplicarpus foetidus	Skunk Cabbage	OBL	-	Х		
Onoclea sensibilis	Sensitive Fern	FACW	-	X		
Osmundastrum cinnamomeum	Cinnamon Fern	FACW	-	Х		



Wetlands

Wetland Area 1 was delineated based on the above described wetland indicator characteristics. This wetland area is under the jurisdiction of both the CTDEEP and the USACE based on applicable identification criteria met. This wetland area is a Palustrine Forested Deciduous wetland, dominated by mature canopy trees herbaceous vegetation.

Wetland Area 2

As shown on Figure 5, a wetland area (1.44 acres) was identified along the western portion of the site.

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

Topography at this wetland location slopes from 640ft to 625ft towards to the northwest, continuing offsite to the west. This wetland area is sourced by Little River and a depressional surface water run-off environment.

As shown in Appendix B, soils at Wetland Area 2 remained similar to Wetland Area 1, consisting of saturated, poorly drained fine sandy loams. Sand was present in the upper soil samples, which ultimately ended in a fine muck towards the deeper soil samples. Soils ranged from very dark brown (10YR 2/2) at the surface (0-5in), and very dark gray (10YR 3/1) at 5-11in below ground surface. Brown mottling was observed at 9-14in (7.5YR 4/2) and depleted soils were observed between 14-22in (10YR 4/1). Throughout the soil column, soils were heavily saturated with organics present until 9-10in below ground surface.

Vegetation

Vegetation within Wetland Area 2 was inclusive of herbaceous forest floor cover and forested canopy trees and remained primarily consistent with Wetland Area 1. Shrubs were largely absent and mature canopy trees were spaced apart. Reference Table 1 – Dominate Vegetation in Wetland Area 1 for a summary of species identified. Unlike Wetland Area 1, saplings and herbaceous cover were dominant in Wetland Area 2. Specifically, Skunk Cabbage, Sensitive Fern and Cinnamon Fern, as well as Grey Birch saplings were the dominant vegetation.

Note, snags and felled trees mid-decomposition were also more prevalent in this wetland, specifically along the western border of the site. While present throughout the site, Wetland Area 2 appeared to contain the concentration of such features.

Wetlands

Based on the above described wetland indicator characteristics, Wetland Area 2 was delineated, and field verified. This wetland area is under the jurisdiction of both the CTDEEP and the USACE based on applicable identification criteria met. This wetland area is a Palustrine Forested Deciduous wetland, dominated by saplings and herbaceous vegetation.



Wetland Area 3

As shown on Figure 5, a wetland area (approximately 0.21 acres) was identified along the southwestern border of the site, both of which are anticipated to connect hydrologically offsite.

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

Topography at this wetland location slopes from 640ft to 615ft towards the southwestern corner of the site. This wetland is anticipated to be sourced by depressional surface water run-off. Note, no surface connection between Wetland Area 2 and Wetland Area 3 was observed onsite.

As shown in Appendix B, soils at Wetland Area 3 remained consistent to Wetland Area 2, consisting of saturated, poorly drained fine sandy loams. Restrictive layers were encountered between 13-16in below ground surface, although soils above this depth were heavily saturated, sandy mucky soils. Consistent with Wetland Area 2, soils ranged from very dark brown (10YR 2/2) at the surface (0-9in), and very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) at 11-13in below ground surface. Brown mottling was observed at 11-13in (7.5YR 4/2) and depleted soil redoximorphic characteristics were observed in the lower soil samples (10YR 4/1).

Vegetation

Vegetation within Wetland Area 3 was inclusive of herbaceous cover, shrubs and forested canopy trees and remained primarily consistent with Wetland Area 2. Vegetation at this location was dominated by herbaceous vegetation, with snags and felled trees present. Reference Table 1 – Dominate Vegetation in Wetland Area 1 for a summary of species identified. Wetland Area 3 was also noticeably denser with vegetation. The forest floor was not as visible and mature trees were not as spread apart as observed in Wetland Areas 1 and 2.

Wetlands

Wetland Area 3 was delineated, based on the above described wetland indicator characteristics. This wetland area is under the jurisdiction of both the CTDEEP and the USACE based on applicable identification criteria met. This wetland area is a Palustrine Deciduous Emergent Forested wetland, dominated by shrubs and herbaceous vegetation.

Wetland Areas 4 and 5

As shown on Figure 5, two minor wetland areas were identified within the utility right-of-way. Both are gravelly adjacent to the access road and are primarily scrub-shrub. Wetland Area 4 is approximately 0.03 acres, and Wetland Area 5 is approximately 0.06 acres.

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

Topography at these wetland locations are flat, essentially no slope is present. Wetland Area 4 is anticipated to be sourced by stormwater runoff, as a minor drainage pattern was observed flowing



downhill into a man-made gravel ditch. Wetland Area 5 is anticipated to connect with Wetland Area 1 offsite and is connected to Wetland Areas 2 and 3 via a culvert.

As shown in Appendix B, soils at Wetland Area 3 remained consistent to Wetland Area 2, consisting of saturated, poorly drained fine sandy loams. Restrictive layers were encountered between 10-13in below ground surface, likely due to their locations within a utility right-of-way and abutting gravel pad areas. Although soil samples were limited due to the restrictive layer, the upper horizon remained consistent with Wetland Area 2 (0-4in, very dark brown [10YR 2/2]) to very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) at 4-10 below ground surface. While limited mottling and redoximorphic characteristics were present, the soil was damp, and water stained leaves were present.

Vegetation

Vegetation within Wetland Areas 4 and 5 differed from the rest of the wetland areas onsite, as these two wetland areas are located within the maintained utilities right-of-way. They are dominated by scrub-shrub vegetation and sapling, as well as herbaceous cover. Mature canopy trees were absent, although some taller trees were observed. Vegetation in the area is considered disturbed due to previous utility development and ongoing maintenance, the probable cause of upland thorny vines appearing within the wetland fringe areas.

TABLE 2: Dominate Vegetation in Wetland Areas 4 and 5

Trees and Saplings						
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Betula populifolia	Grey Birch	FAC	-	Х		
Betula alleghaniensis	Yellow Birch	FAC	1	Х		
Fraxinus pennsylvanica	Green Ash	FACW	1	Х		
	Shrubs / Herbad	ceous Plan	ts			
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Symplicarpus foetidus	Skunk Cabbage	OBL	-	Х		
Onoclea sensibilis	Sensitive Fern	FACW	-	Х		
Athyrium angustum	Northern Lady Fern	FAC	X	-		
Rosa multiflora	Multiflora Rose	FACU	Х	-		
Smilax	Greenbier	FACU	Χ	-		
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush	OBL	-	Х		



Wetlands

Wetland Areas 4 and 5 were delineated, based on the above described wetland indicator characteristics. These wetland areas are under the jurisdiction of both the CTDEEP and the USACE based on applicable identification criteria met. Wetland Area 5 is anticipated to be under dual jurisdiction, as all USACE criteria are present, and soils are anticipated to be alluvial and subject to periodic flooding. During June site visits, the wetland area included saturation and water flow after heavy rainstorm events. These wetland areas are a Palustrine Scrub-Shrub wetland, although it is anticipated this is due to its maintained nature.

Uplands Onsite

Topography, Hydrology and Soils

Topography in upland portions of the site were flat on the eastern side of the right-of-way and slopped and flat on the western side. As shown in Appendix B, soils within these uplands were primarily well drained, dry, coarse sandy loams with undecomposed vegetation present throughout the majority of the soil samples.

Vegetation

Vegetation within uplands onsite was inclusive of herbaceous cover and mature canopy trees. Portion of the uplands on the eastern and western sides of the utility right-of-way were dominated by Northern Lady Fern and False Lily of the Valley, with mature trees spaced between 20-40ft apart. Reference Table 3 – Dominate Upland Vegetation for a summary of species identified.

TABLE 3: Dominate Upland Vegetation

Trees and Saplings						
Scientific	Common	Indicator	Upland	Wetland		
Acer rubrum	Red Maple	FAC	-	Х		
Acer saccharinum	Silver Maple	FAC	1	Χ		
Betula populifolia	Grey Birch	FAC	1	Χ		
Shrubs / Herbaceous Plants						
Scientific	Indicator	Upland	Wetland			
Maianthemum	False Lily of	FACU	Χ			
dilatatum	the Valley	FACU	^	-		
Athyrium angustum	Northern Lady Fern	FAC	X	-		



CONCLUSION

In summary, VHB scientists confirmed the presence of approximately 2.3-acres of Palustrine Forested Deciduous and Palustrine Scrub-Shrub wetlands within the site boundaries on June 1 and June 2, 2021. All wetlands field verified are anticipated to be under dual jurisdiction between the CTDEEP and the USACE. Please refer to Table 4 for the approximate acreage of wetland per Wetland.

TABLE 4: Field Verified Wetlands Onsite

Wetland Area No.	Area (Square Feet)	Area (Acres)	Comments
1	26,346.0	0.60	Palustrine Forested Deciduous
2	62,731.9	1.44	Palustrine Forested Deciduous
3	9,030.5	0.21	Palustrine Forested Deciduous
4	1,277.9	0.03	Palustrine Scrub-Shrub
5	2,556.4	0.06	Palustrine Scrub-Shrub
Total	101,942.70	2.34	

Please contact me at 860-807-4388 if you have any questions or require additional assistance.

Sincerely,

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Figure:

Figure 1 – USGS Site Location Map

Figure 2 – Site Topography Map

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Appendices:

Appendix A – Site Photograph Log

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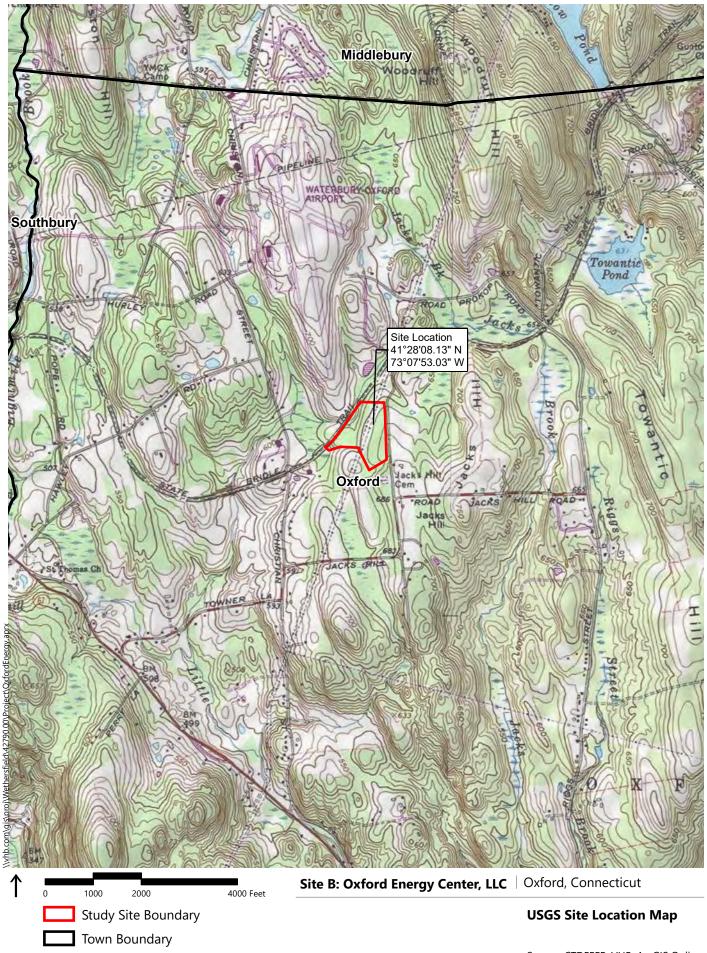
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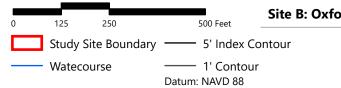
NRCS Poorly Drained Soils

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NRCS Soils Map

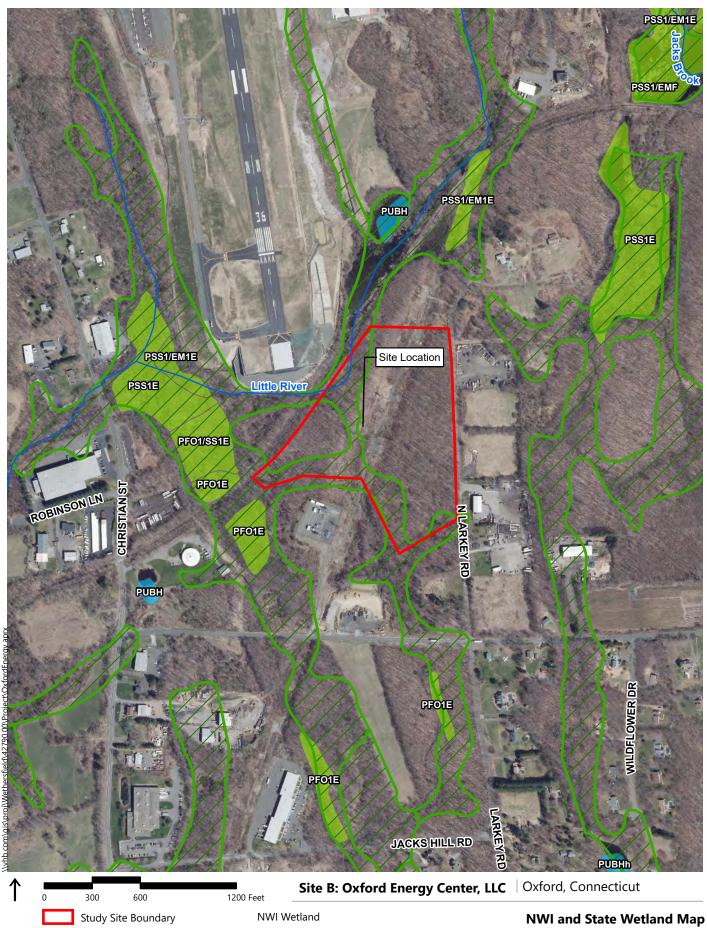
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Site Topography Map

FIGURE 4



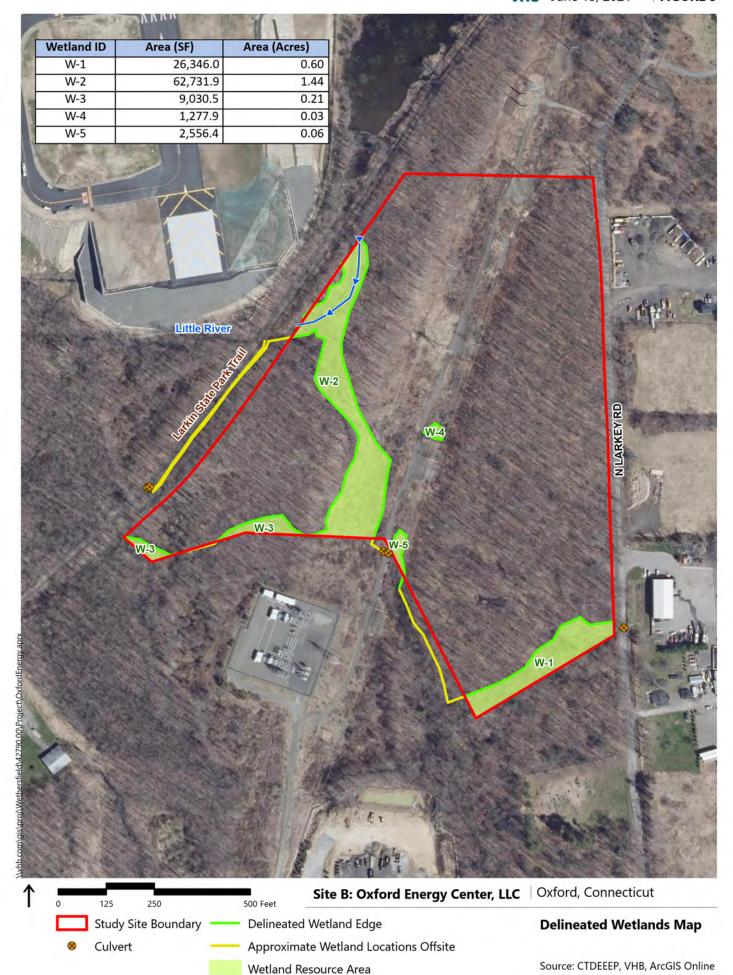
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Source: CTDEEEP, VHB, ArcGIS Online

Freshwater Pond

CTDEEP Wetland

Watecourse





Appendix A

Site Photograph Log



Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No.

Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of upland area in the most northeastern portion of the site. Forest floor is primarily clear of vegetation, consisting of fallen leaves, while samplings make up the understory. Mature canopy trees with 10-35 dbh are present.



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Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 2 Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of upland area in the north eastern portion of the site, looking east towards North Larkey Road. Upland vegetation and characteristics, including dry leaf forest floor cover, are present.





Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 3

Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of upland area in central eastern portion of the site looking west towards the utility right-of-way. Fern vegetation is dominant, with mature canopy trees spread apart, and decomposing stumps are frequent.



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PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG

Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 4 Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 1 near Flag No. 104. Vegetation is dense and buttressing of tree roots was observed.





Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 5

Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 1 near Flag No. 106. Standing water is visible beneath the dense herbaceous vegetation, and moss lines and water stained leaves were observed. The area is primarily flat.



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PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG

Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 6 Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of upland area along the eastern portion of the site, along the southern boundary.





Oxford Energy Center, LLC Client Name:

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B Project No: 42790.00

Photo No.

Date: 6/01/2021

Description: View of upland area along the eastern portion of the site near Wetland Area 4.



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Oxford Energy Center, LLC Client Name:

Date: 6/02/2021

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B Project No: 42790.00

8 **Description**: View of Wetland Area

Photo No.

2 near Flag No. 107. Area is dominated by saplings and herbaceous vegetation.





Client Name: Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No.

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 2 near Flag No. 109. Moss lines and surface water are present.



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Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 10

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 2 near Flag No. 206. Saturation and standing water are visible





Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 11

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 2 near Flag No. 3-110. This portion of the wetland has transitioned into scrub-shrub due to it's location in a maintained right-of-way.



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Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 12

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 3 near Flag No. 106.





Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 13

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of upland near Wetland Area 3 Flag No. 105.



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Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location: Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 14

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 3 near Flag No. 97a.





Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 15

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of uplands in the western portion of the site.





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PHOTOGRAPHIC LOG

Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 16

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 4, near Flag No. 101. Wetland Area is sourced by a runoff ditch that crosses the gravel utility access road.





Client Name:

Oxford Energy Center, LLC

Site Location:

Oxford Energy Center, Site B

Project No: 42790.00

Photo No. 17

Date: 6/02/2021

Description: View of Wetland Area 5, near Flag No. 101. This wetland is sourced by a ditch that is culverted beneath the access road.





Appendix B

Wetland Delineation Data Sheets

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-07-24; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Oxford Energy C	Center, Site C		City/County:	Oxford, New Have	en	Sampling Date:	06/02/21
Applicant/Owner: Oxford Er	nergy Center, LLC			State	СТ	Sampling Point:	UPL1
Investigator(s): VHB, A. Loss,	E. Olson		Section	n, Township, Range:		,	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.):	Hillside	Local re	elief (concave, c	N I =	е	Slope	_{%:} 0-5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA):	Lat:	<i>1</i> 1 <i>1</i> 67637		.ong: -73.130458	}	Datum:	75.
Soil Map Unit Name: Woodbrid				NWI class	ification:	N/A	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions		this time of year?	Yes			explain in Remarks	:)
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Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	No X	within a Wet		es	No X	
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes	No X	If yes, optiona	al Wetland Site ID:			
Remarks: (Explain alternative prod							
Area is an upland area, no	Welland Characte	HSucs present.					
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Wetland Hydrology Indicators:				Secondary Ind	icators (mi	inimum of two req	uired)
Primary Indicators (minimum of on					oil Cracks	` '	
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High Water Table (A2)		itic Fauna (B13)			n Lines (B1		
Saturation (A3)		Deposits (B15)			on Water T		
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Sediment Deposits (B2)		zed Rhizospheres or		· <i>'</i> —		n Aerial Imagery (C	29)
Drift Deposits (B3)	Prese	ence of Reduced Iro	n (C4)	Stunted or	· Stressed	Plants (D1)	
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	Rece	ent Iron Reduction in	Tilled Soils (C6	Geomorph	nic Position	າ (D2)	
Iron Deposits (B5)		Muck Surface (C7)			quitard (D3		
Inundation Visible on Aerial Im	nagery (B7) Other	r (Explain in Remark	(s)	Microtopo	graphic Re	lief (D4)	
Sparsely Vegetated Concave	Surface (B8)			FAC-Neut	ral Test (D	5)	
Field Observations:	X						
Surface Water Present? Yes	No	Depth (inches):					
Water Table Present? Yes	No X No X No X	Depth (inches):					
	No X	Depth (inches):	W	etland Hydrology P	resent?	Yes	No X
(includes capillary fringe)							
Describe Recorded Data (stream of	gauge, monitoring wel	II, aerial photos, prev	vious inspection	ıs), if available:			
Remarks:							
Area is an upland environn	nent, no wetland	characteristics p	resent.				
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J		<u>N</u>	FAC	Total Number of Dominant
4. Nyssa sylvatica	10	N	FAC	Species Across All Strata:(B)
5		·		Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:(A/B)
7				Prevalence Index worksheet:
	40	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of:Multiply by:
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 5ft)			OBL species 0 x 1 = 0
Betula populifolia	10	N	FAC	FACW species 0 x 2 = 0
2. Quercus alba	10	N	FAC	FAC species 4 x 3 = 12
3.	-			FACU species 7 x 4 = 28
4.	-			UPL species 2 x 5 = 10
5.	-			Column Totals: 13 (A) 50 (B)
-				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.84
7.	-			Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
· ·	20	=Total Cover		Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5ft)		- 10101 0010.		2 - Dominance Test is >50%
Majanthemum dilatatum	45	Υ	FACU	
Athyrium angustum	15	- <u>'</u>	FAC	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
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4.				Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
5		·		¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
7.				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
8.		· —		Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in
9.		·		diameter 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	- ——			Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
	30	=Total Cover		of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size:1.	<u>.</u>			Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
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Type:									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Present?	Yes	NoX
Remarks:									

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-07-24; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

Project/Site: Oxford Energy (Center, Site C	,	City/County: Ox	xford, New Haven	Sampling Date: 06/02/21
Applicant/Owner: Oxford E	nergy Center, LLC		· · · <u>-</u>	State CT	Sampling Point: UPL2
Investigator(s): VHB, A. Loss,	E. Olson		Section,	Township, Range:	
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.):	Hillside	Local re	elief (concave, co	NI a sa a	Slope %: 0-5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA):	Lat:	41.468738	Lor	-73 13 2775	Datum:
Soil Map Unit Name: Woodbrid				NWI classification	NI/A
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions		this time of year?	Yes		o, explain in Remarks.)
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Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes	No X	Is the Sample	d Area	
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Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes	No X	If yes, optional	Wetland Site ID:	
Remarks: (Explain alternative pro					
Area is an upland area, no	wetland characte	ristics present.			
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Water Table Present? Yes	No X	Depth (inches):			
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Remarks:					
Area is an upland environr	ment. no wetland	characteristics p	resent.		
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Tree Stratum (Plot size: 15ft)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
Acer rubrum	10	N	FAC	
Betula populifolia	10	N	FAC	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)
Nyssa sylvatica	10	N	FAC	
4.				Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 6 (B)
5. 6.				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 1.5 (A/B)
7.				Prevalence Index worksheet:
	30	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 5ft)			OBL species0 x 1 =0
1. Betula populifolia	5	N	FAC	FACW species 0 x 2 = 0
2. Quercus alba	5	N	FAC	FAC species6 x 3 =18
3.				FACU species 3 x 4 = 12
4	_			UPL species 0 x 5 = 0
5.				Column Totals: 9 (A) 30 (B)
6.				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.33
7.				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
	10	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5ft)				2 - Dominance Test is >50%
_{1.} Maianthemum dilatatum	5	N	FACU	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 ¹
2. Athyrium angustum	5	N	FAC	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide supporting
3. Alliaria petiolata	10	Υ	FACU	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
4. Maianthemum canadense	20	Y	FACU	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Explain)
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8.				
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				Vegetation
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SOIL Sampling Point UPL2

Profile Desc	ription: (Describe f Matrix	to the de	•	ument tl x Featur		ator or c	onfirm the absence	of indica	tors.)	
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture		Remar	ks
0-6	7.5YR 3/2	100			<u> </u>		Fine Loam	Soil is	dry, no sat	uration
6-10	7.5YR 3/4	100					Fine Loam	Soil is	dry, no sa	turation
10-15	7.5YR 2.5/3	30					Fine Loam	Soil is	dry, no sa	turation
	7.5YR 3/4	60					Fine Loam	Soil is	s dry, no sa	turation
	-									
1							2			
'Type: C=Co		etion, RM	1=Reduced Matrix, M	1S=Mas	ked Sand	d Grains.			Lining, M=Material Lining, M=Material Lining, M=Material Lining	
Histosol (Polyvalue Belo	w Surfa	ce (S8) (LRR R.) (LRR K, L, N	
	ipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B		() (,			dox (A16) (LR	
Black His	stic (A3)		Thin Dark Surfa	ace (S9)	(LRR R	, MLRA	149B) 5 cm N	/lucky Pea	at or Peat (S3)	(LRR K, L, R)
Hydroger	n Sulfide (A4)		High Chroma S	Sands (S	611) (LRI	R K, L)	Polyva	lue Below	Surface (S8)	(LRR K, L)
Stratified	Layers (A5)		Loamy Mucky	Mineral	(F1) (LR	R K , L)	Thin D	ark Surfac	ce (S9) (LRR I	K, L)
	Below Dark Surface	e (A11)	Loamy Gleyed		F2)			-) (LRR K, L, R)
	rk Surface (A12)		Depleted Matrix							9) (MLRA 149B)
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su							tside MLRA 145)
	leyed Matrix (S4)		Depleted Dark						ark Surface (F2	
	edox (S5) Matrix (S6)		Redox Depress Marl (F10) (LR	,	8)				A6) (MLRA 14 n Remarks)	14A, 145, 149B)
Dark Sur			Red Parent Ma		21) (MLF	RA 145)	Other	(Explain III	i itelliaiks)	
			rtour aront mo	itoriai (i	, (.					
	hydrophytic vegetat ayer (if observed):		etland hydrology mu	ıst be pr	resent, ui	nless dist	urbed or problemation).		
Type:	.ayer (ii observed).									
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Pres	ent?	Yes	No X
Remarks:										

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA SHEET – Northcentral and Northeast Region

See ERDC/EL TR-07-24; the proponent agency is CECW-CO-R

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Project/Site: Oxford Energy Center, Site C	City/County: Oxford, New Haven Sampling Date: 06/02/21
Applicant/Owner: Oxford Energy Center, LLC	State CT Sampling Point: Wet1
Investigator(s): VHB, A. Loss, E. Olson	Section, Township, Range:
Landform (hillside, terrace, etc.): Hillside	Local relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope %: 0-5
· ·	41.467249 Long: -73.129991 Datum:
Soil Map Unit Name: Ridgebury, Leicester, and W	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for thi	.,
Are Vegetation , Soil , or Hydrology sign	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologyna	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.
SUMMART OF FINDINGS - Attach site map s	inowing sampling point locations, transects, important leatures, etc.
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X	No Is the Sampled Area
l '	No within a Wetland? Yes X No
, o, <u> </u>	No If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: W-1, Near Flag No. 104
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a sep	
Sufface water, soil saturation, redox and depie	eted matrix present at this location. OBL Vegetation dominant.
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all t	that apply) Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
X Surface Water (A1) X Water-S	Stained Leaves (B9) X Drainage Patterns (B10)
	Fauna (B13) X Moss Trim Lines (B16)
X Saturation (A3) Marl De	eposits (B15) Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
X Water Marks (B1) Hydroge	en Sulfide Odor (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized	d Rhizospheres on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence	ce of Reduced Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent	Iron Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) X Thin Mu	uck Surface (C7) Shallow Aquitard (D3)
x Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (E	Explain in Remarks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes X No	Depth (inches): 5-8
Water Table Present? Yes No	Depth (inches):
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Water Table Present? Yes No Saturation Present? Yes X No (includes capillary fringe)	Depth (inches)+10in bgs Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, a	aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:
Remarks:	
Remarks.	

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants.

Absolute Dominant Indicator Tree Stratum (Plot size: 15 % Cover Species? Status **Dominance Test worksheet:** Acer rubrum 5 FAC 1. **Number of Dominant Species** Acer saccharinum 5 10 FAC 2 That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A) 5 Betula populifolia **FAC** 3. **Total Number of Dominant** Y Betula alleghaniensis 10 5 **FAC** 4. Species Across All Strata: (B) Alnus incana 5 5. **FACW** Percent of Dominant Species Carpinus caroliniana 1 **FAC** 6. That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A/B) Fraxinus pennsylvanica 5 **FACW** 7 Prevalence Index worksheet: 31 =Total Cover Total % Cover of: Multiply by: Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 5 OBL species x 1 = 8 5 Betula populifolia FAC **FACW** species x 2 = 5 21 **FAC** x 3 = Betula alleghaniensis FAC species 0 0 x 4 = 3. **FACU** species 0 0 4. **UPL** species x 5 = 5. Column Totals: 2.5 Prevalence Index = B/A = 6. **Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:** 7. 10 _{=Total Cover} 1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation 2 - Dominance Test is >50% Herb Stratum (Plot size: Symplicarpus foetidus 15 **OBL** 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01 15 Onoclea sensibilis **FACW** 4 - Morphological Adaptations¹ (Provide supporting 2. data in Remarks or on a separate sheet) **FACW** Osmundastrum cinnamomeum 15 3. 4. Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation¹ (Explain) 5. ¹Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must 6. be present, unless disturbed or problematic. 7. **Definitions of Vegetation Strata:** 8. Tree - Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter 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 45 =Total Cover of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall. Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: Woody vines - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height. Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes X =Total Cover Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate sheet.) Photograph No. 4

Wet1

Sampling Point:

SOIL Sampling Point Wet1

Profile Descri	ription: (Describe t	o the de				ator or c	onfirm the absence of	of indicators.)
Depth	Matrix			x Featur		. 2	_	
(inches)	Color (moist) 10YR 2-2	<u>%</u>	Color (moist)	<u>%</u>	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-7		100					Fine Silty Loam	
7-14	7.5YR 3/1	80	7.5YR 4/1	20			Fine Silty Loam	Saturated
14-21	7.5YR 4/2	60	7.5YR 5/2	10			Fine Clay Loam	Saturated
l	7.5YR 3/1	30			С	M	Fine Clay Loam	
¹ Type: C=Co	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, RN	/=Reduced Matrix, N	 ∕IS=Masl	ked Sand	d Grains.	² Location: F	PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil I		,	,					for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histosol ((A1)		Polyvalue Belo	w Surfac	ce (S8) (LRR R,	2 cm M	uck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
Histic Ep	ipedon (A2)		MLRA 149B)			Coast P	Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black His			Thin Dark Surf				· —	ucky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	n Sulfide (A4)		High Chroma S					ue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	Layers (A5)	(8.4.4)	Loamy Mucky			R K, L)		rk Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	Below Dark Surface	(A11)	Loamy Gleyed		F2)			nganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)
	rk Surface (A12)		Depleted Matri		.07			nt Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su					rent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)
	leyed Matrix (S4) edox (S5)		Depleted Dark Redox Depres					nallow Dark Surface (F22) Spodic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
	Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LR		5)			Explain in Remarks)
X Dark Sur	, ,		Red Parent Ma		21) (ML F	RA 145)		
³ Indicators of	hydrophytic vogotati	on and w	otland bydrology mi	ust ho nr	ocont III	aloce die	turbed or problematic	
	ayer (if observed):	on allu V	realia Hydrology IIII	ust ne hi	CSCIII, UI	iicəə ulə	turbed or problematic.	
	Rocky substrate							
Depth (in	ches): +21-24in						Hydric Soil Prese	nt? Yes X No No
Remarks:							I	
Overall soi	ls were saturated	d, altho	ugh heavy satur	ation w	as obs	erved	between 10-14in b	pelow ground surface. While soil
samples w	ere retrievable, s	aturati	on caused poor	cohesi	on.			

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Oxford Energy Center, Site C	City/County: Oxford, New Haven Sampling Date: 06/02/21
Applicant/Owner: Oxford Energy Center, LLC	State CT Sampling Point: Wet2
Investigator(s): VHB, A. Loss, E. Olson	Section, Township, Range:
	cal relief (concave, convex, none): None Slope %: 0-5
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): Lat: 41.467249	-73.129991 Datum:
Soil Map Unit Name: Ridgebury, Leicester, and Whitman	NWI classification: N/A
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year	TVVI Oldobilloddoll.
Are Vegetation , Soil , or Hydrology significantly dis	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrologynaturally proble	· — · — · — · — · — · — · — · — · · · ·
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS - Attach site map showing so	ampling 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
Vetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID: W-1, Near Flag No. 104
Remarks: (Explain alternative procedures here or in a separate report.)	
HYDROLOGY	
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
X Surface Water (A1) X Water-Stained Leaves	
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	X Moss Trim Lines (B16)
X Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
X Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odd	or (C1) Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizosphere	es on Living Roots (C3) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced	d Iron (C4) Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction	n in Tilled Soils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) X Thin Muck Surface (C	Shallow Aquitard (D3)
x Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Rem	marks) Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes X No Depth (inche Water Table Present? Yes No Depth (inche Saturation Present? Yes X No Depth (inche	rs): <u>5-8</u>
Water Table Present? Yes No Depth (inche	s):
	es):9 <u>-14 bg</u> s Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes X No
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos,	previous inspections), if available:
Remarks:	
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VEGETATION – Use scientific names of p	olants.			Sampling Point:W	et2
Tree Stratum (Plot size: 15	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status	Dominance Test worksheet:	<u> </u>
1. Acer rubrum	5		FAC	Number of Dominant Species	
2. Acer saccharinum	5		FAC	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 6	(A)
3. Betula populifolia	10	<u> </u>	FAC	Total Number of Dominant	
4. Fraxinus pennsylvanica	5		FACW	Species Across All Strata: 2	(B)
5. 6.				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 3	(A/B)
7	_			Prevalence Index worksheet:	
	25	=Total Cover		Total % Cover of: Multiply by	y:
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 5)			OBL species $1 x 1 = 1$	
Betula populifolia	20	Υ	FAC	FACW species 2 x 2 = 4	
2.				FAC species $3 \times 3 = 9$	
3.				FACU species 0 x 4 = 0)
4.				UPL species 0 x 5 = 0)
-	_			Column Totals: 6 (A) 2	5 (B)
6				Prevalence Index = B/A = 2.33	\ /
7.				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:	
· .	20	=Total Cover		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation	
Harb Stratum (Diet size: 5		- Total Cover		2 - Dominance Test is >50%	'
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5) Symplicarpus foetidus	15		OBL		
Openhanamallallia	15		FACW	3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0¹	
			TAOW	4 - Morphological Adaptations ¹ (Provide s	
3.					,
4	_			Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation ¹ (Ex	plain)
5.6.				¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrolog be present, unless disturbed or problematic.	gy must
7.				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:	
8				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in	า
9	_			diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of	
10				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 ir	
11				and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.	
12				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, re	
		=Total Cover		of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tal	1.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size:	.)			Woody vines – All woody vines greater than	3.28 ft in
1	_			height.	
2.				Hydrophytic	
3.				Vegetation	
4				Present?	
		=Total Cover			
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a sepa Photograph No. 10	arate sheet.)			I	

SOIL Sampling Point Wet2

		o the dep				ator or o	confirm the absence of	indicators.)
Depth (inches)	Matrix Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	x Featur %	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-5	10YR 2/2	100			- 7 -		Sandy Loam	
5-11	10YR 3/1	100					Sandy/Silty Loam	Saturated
11-14	10YR 3/1	80	10YR4/2	20	С	М	Silty Clayey Loam	_
14-20	10YR 4/1	90	10YR 5/3	10	С	М	Silty Clayey Loam	
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			-					
	ncentration, D=Deple	etion, RM	=Reduced Matrix, M	IS=Mas	ked Sand	d Grains		=Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
Hydric Soil Ir Histosol (Polyvalue Belo	w Surfa	ce (S8) (LRR R.		r Problematic Hydric Soils ³ : ck (A10) (LRR K, L, MLRA 149B)
	pedon (A2)		MLRA 149B		() (- ,		airie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)
Black His	,		Thin Dark Surf				149B) 5 cm Muc	cky Peat or Peat (S3) (LRR K, L, R)
	Sulfide (A4)		High Chroma S					e Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L)
	Layers (A5)	(111)	Loamy Mucky			R K, L)		(Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)
	Below Dark Surface k Surface (A12)	(A11)	Loamy Gleyed Depleted Matri		F2)			ganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R) t Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)
	ucky Mineral (S1)		Redox Dark Su		6)			ent Material (F21) (outside MLRA 145)
	eyed Matrix (S4)		Depleted Dark					llow Dark Surface (F22)
Sandy Re	edox (S5)		Redox Depress	sions (F	8)		Mesic Spo	odic (TA6) (MLRA 144A, 145, 149B)
Stripped N	Matrix (S6)		Marl (F10) (LR	R K , L)			Other (Ex	plain in Remarks)
X Dark Surf	ace (S7)		Red Parent Ma	iterial (F	21) (MLF	RA 145)		
³ Indicators of	hydrophytic vegetation	on and w	etland hydrology mu	ıst be pr	esent, ur	nless dis	sturbed or problematic.	
	ayer (if observed):							
Type:								t? Yes X No
Depth (inc	ches):						Hydric Soil Present	t? Yes ^X No
Remarks:								