BIOINVENTORY OF EXETER RIVER FLOODPLAIN WETLANDS IN THE TOWNS OF DANVILLE, FREMONT & SANDOWN

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Floodplain of the Exeter River in Danville, Fremont and Sandown supports a wide variety of wetland plant communities that protect and enhance water quality of the River filtering surface water and trapping and attenuating pollutants and sediments. Red Maple Forested Swamps, Oxbow Marshes, Buttonbush Swamps and Vernal Pools, can be found in floodplains and these wetlands provide critical habitat for several rare and endangered plant and wildlife species. Habitat for wood turtle, State endangered Blanding's turtle, and spotted turtle is present in these wetlands. Habitat also exists for rare bird species including sedge wren, American and least bittern, pied-billed grebe and American black duck. Mapping and inventorying these habitats will help to provide these three towns the important planning tools. The information collected from this project can be used in future grant requests and to prioritize habitat and water quality protection.

Exeter River Watershed Information from Exeter River Local Advisory Committee

Watershed Area -67,700 acres (fresh water portion)

River Length – 33 miles

Drainage Basin – 126 square miles

Forested Land – 67%

Developed Land – 16%

Farmland – 6%

Water and Barren Land – 6%

Wetlands -3%

This study included mapping the wetlands within the FEMA mapped floodplain of the Exeter River in the three towns, field data collection to verify plant communities and wildlife habitats, preparing a report with maps and data and presenting this information to the towns at public meetings.

Study Area Information

Total Study Area – 1882.27 acres

Overall reach of Exeter River within Study Area – approximately 15 miles almost half of the rivers reach. Most of the study area in Danville and Sandown represents the headwaters of the Exeter River and therefore is critical to the overall health of the river. Town Reaches include:

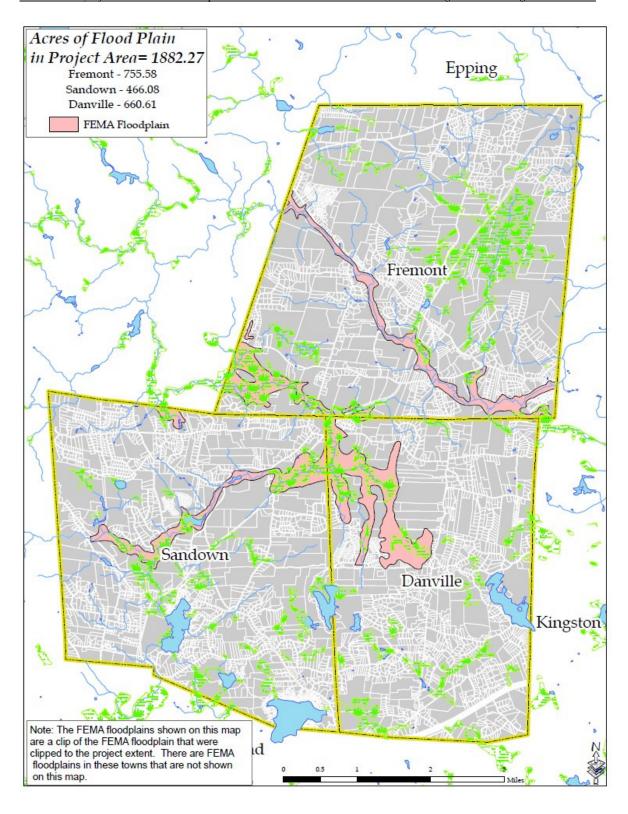
Sandown – 5 miles

Danville – 1 mile and tributaries

Fremont – south reach 2 miles - north reach 7 miles

Portions of the FEMA mapped floodplain do not contribute to the Exeter River and in some cases are not part of its watershed.

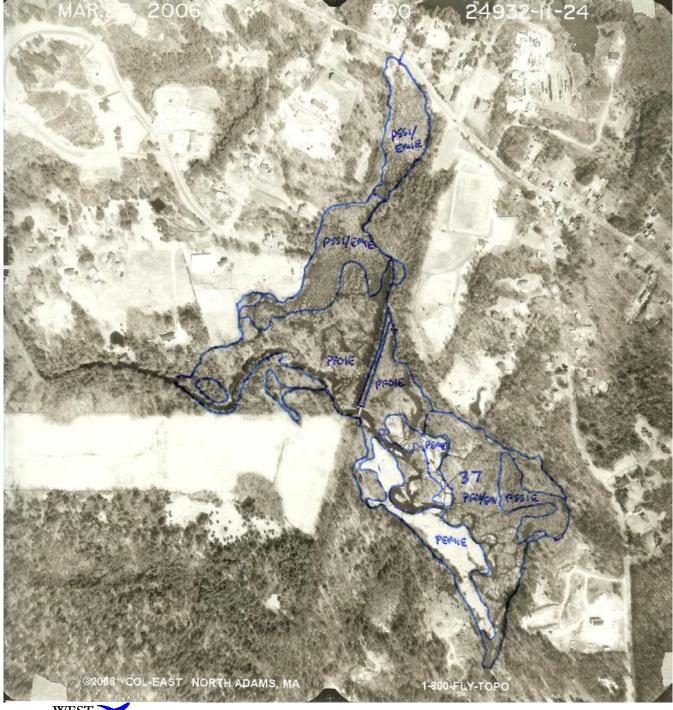
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2. FLOODPLAIN WETLAND MAPPING METHODOLOGY

Wetlands within the floodplain study area were mapped through aerial photo interpretation of Spring 2006 black and white stereo aerial photos with a scale of 1" = 500'. Using a stereo scope, the preliminary wetland boundaries were mapped onto the photos. Field inspections were conducted in November and December of 2010 where access was granted by private landowners or on public lands and roads. Edits to wetland boundaries and water flow were performed as a result of field work. Wetland boundaries were then digitalized onto Spring 2008 color ortho-photos with corresponding alpha numeric wetland identification.



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3. FIELD RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION

Field inspections were conducted in November and December of 2010 on public land and roads and on land where owner access was granted. Previous field work conducted in 2006 (Fremont) and 2007 (Sandown) as part of town-wide wetland inventory was utilized in this study. A Wetland Data Form was completed for each wetland and includes the following data:

Plant Community Data was collect to compare aerial photo mapping of 2006 and 2008 with 2010 existing conditions. The presence of beaver throughout the study area can result in changes to wetland hydrology and therefore plant communities. Despite the activity the wetlands appear to remain relatively stable in their plant community types. Plant Communities were also evaluated to determine if they were rare natural communities based on the Natural Communities of New Hampshire. Section 5 of this report details this evaluation process.

Wetland Hydrology Data was collected to provide a better understanding of the flood storage capacity of each wetland and its hydroperiod. Hydroperiod is the depth and duration of flooding in a wetland. Although many of the floodplain wetlands experience flooding during string runoff and major rain events; a significant portion of the headwater areas are permanently or semi-permanently flooded by beaver dams. These wetland complexes provide critical flood storage which in turn provide down stream protection to residents and roadways. There are also several manmade dams along the river reach of this study area.

Wildlife Habitat Data was also collected including information on habitat structure, diversity, and potential rare and endangered species habitat. This information includes the specific features present that provide special habitat requirements for each rare species. It was also determined whether a wetland was mapped as highest ranked habitat by the NH Fish and Game Wildlife Action Plan. Section 4 of this report details this evaluation.

Other wetland features documented during field inspections included recreation use in the form of fishing, watercraft access, parking, walking biking trails and other uses. Other data collected included invasive species, water quality degradation, and restoration/stabilization potential. This last feature identifies areas where restoration opportunities may exist if there is landowner interest. Examples include wetland trail crossings that could benefit from a wooded bridge to reduce on going erosion cause by trail use.

Completed data forms for each wetland are found in Section 7 of this report. The goal of the collection of data was to provide a better understanding of the plant community, hydrology and wildlife habitat found in each wetland.



4. WILDLIFE HABITAT ASSESSMENT

Included in this section is a map of the study area in relation to the NH Wildlife Action Plan's Highest Ranked Wildlife Habitat. Significant portions of the Exeter River Floodplain Wetlands are either highest ranked habitat in the state or in the biological region. This study further evaluated the presence of potential habitat for rare and endangered species in the floodplain wetlands.

Based on information provided by the NH Natural Heritage Bureau and habitat types found in the study area wetlands, a list of rare wildlife species was generated. These species are listed below along with their special habitat requirements. The timing of the field inspections limited the potential for actual observation of most of these species, however the wetland data forms provide information regarding <u>potential</u> rare species habitat and whether it is present within a particular wetland. A detailed evaluation of fish habitat was not included as part of this project.

NH Natural Heritage reported the following information:

Wildlife Species

- Blanding's Turtle last reported 2008 NH Endangered
- Spotted Turtle last reported 2008 NH Threatened
- Vesper Sparrow last reported 2001 NH Special Concern
- Great Blue Heron Rookery

Blandings Turtle Habitat Requirements:

- Slow moving rivers with beaver ponds
- Aquatic vegetation
- Soft muddy bottoms
- Loafing logs

Spotted Turtle Habitat Requirements:

- Unpolluted shallow water
- Marshes
- Vernal pools
- Forested wetlands

Wood Turtle Habitat Requirements:

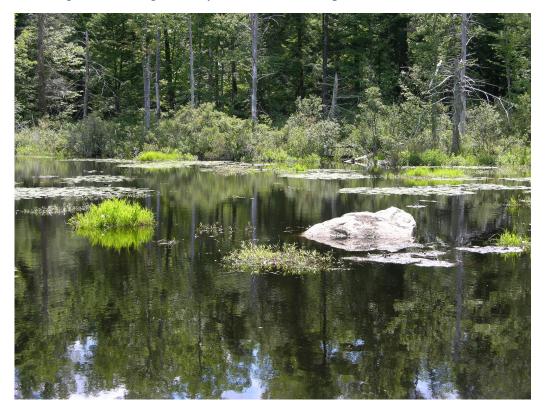
- Slow moving meandering streams
- Sandy bottoms
- Overhanging wooded banks

Photo examples of these species and their habitats are included in this section. Other species that might be present within these habitats are sedge wren (state endangered), pied-billed grebe (state endangered), and least bittern (state species of concern). Further field work during the active breeding season for these species is recommended. Appendix A includes the NH Natural Heritage Memo with rare species data.

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Blandings turtles (larger with yellow necks) with painted turtles (smaller)



Wetland F-8a – Blanding's turtle habitat



Spotted turtle



Wetland F-9 – spotted turtle habitat



Wood turtle



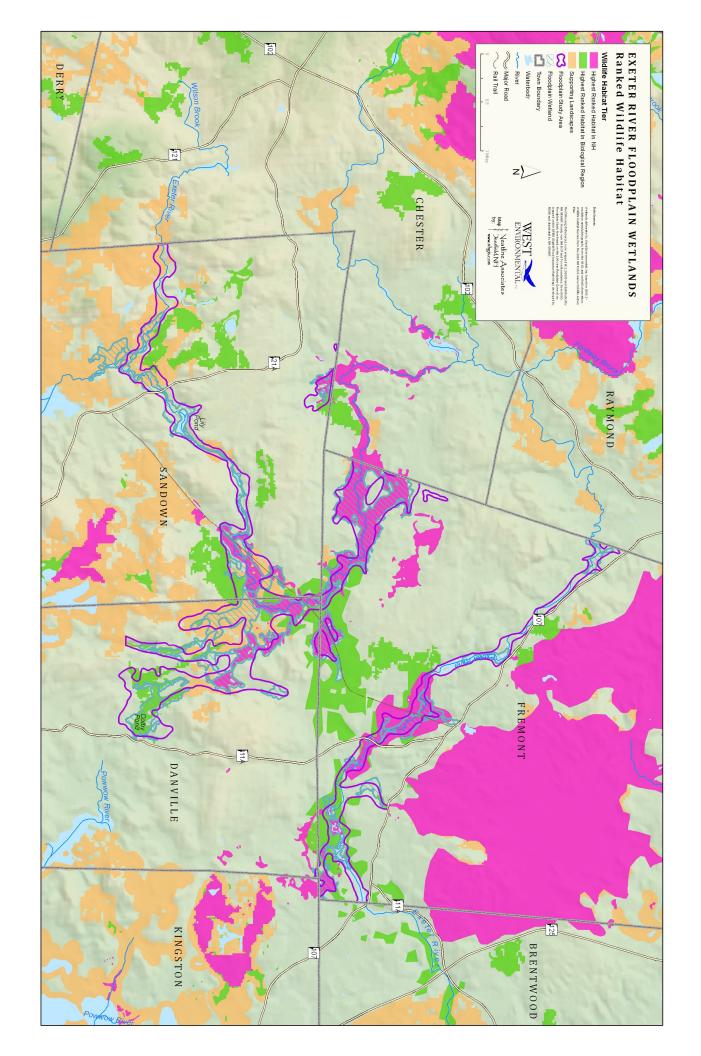
Wetland F-3 – Wood Turtle Habitat



Wetland D-9a – Great Blue Heron Rookery in Colby Pond



Wetland D-5 – Great Blue Heron Rookery



5. RARE PLANT COMMUNITIES

A list of rare wetland plant communities found in the study area includes the state ranking S1-S5. S5 are the most common plant communities and S1 are the rarest. Several S2 and S3 community types were identified within the study area wetlands. Identified natural communities include:

- Oxbow buttonbush swamp (S3)
- Deep emergent marsh aquatic bed (S4)
- Vernal floodplain pool (S2)
- Leatherleaf-sheep laurel dwarf shrub bog (S3)
- Red maple floodplain forest (S4)
- Sweet pepperbush wooded fen (S2)

NH Natural Heritage also reported the following information:

Plant Species:

- Climbing Hempweed last reported 1940
- Featherfoil last reported 1940
- Piled-up Sedge N/A

These are old records and may or may not be present.

Natural Communities:

- Sweet pepperbush wooded fen last reported 2009 NH-S2
- Poor level fen/bog system last reported 2009 NH-S3

These communities are present in Spruce Swamp in Fremont..

Photo examples of these habitat types follow.





Wetland S-2 Oxbow Buttonbush Swamp taken from Rail Trail



Wetland D-1 – **Buttonbush Swamp** taken from Sandown Road. This is a potential pied-billed grebe habitat.



Wetland F-3 – **Deep emergent marsh-aquatic bed community**



Wetland F-3 – **Floodplain Marsh** with potential sedge wren habitat





Wetland F-8b – Deep emergent marsh - aquatic bed plant community



Wetland F-1 – Vernal floodplain pool community





Wetland F-8a – a **Leatherleaf/sheep laurel dwarf shrub bog** in Fremont and Danville



Wetland F-10 – **Red maple floodplain swamp**





 $Wetland \ S\text{-}3-\textbf{Red maple forested floodplain}$



Wetland D-6a – **Sweet pepperbush wooded fen**



6. MAPPING RESULTS

Each wetland is identified by a letter and number. Tables for each town are shown below and include a total acreage of 1,118 acres of wetland. It should be noted that several wetland complexes <u>do not</u> flow into the Exeter River and <u>do not</u> appear to be within its floodplain. These wetlands include most notably the Colby Pond Wetland Complex (S-9) which flows into the Pow Wow River. Other wetlands include D-10 and D-11 in Danville and F-8a and F-8b in Fremont.

Danville Wetlands	Acres	
D1	56.0	
D2	64.6	
D3a	21.1	
D3b	8.0	
Total D3	29.1	
D4	19.8	
D5	24.0	
D6a	17.0	
D6b	2.4	
Total D6	19.4	
D7	17.1	
D8	5.7	
D9a	60.6	
D9b	7.3	
D9c	10.6	
D9d	3.7	
Total D9	82.2	
D10	10.7	
D11	11.92	
Total	340.34	

Fremont Wetlands	Acres
F1	21.0
F2	19.4
F3a	27.1
F3b	34.5
Total F3	61.6
F4	4.0
F5	18.1
F6	35.1
F7	25.1
F8a	31.5
F8b	17.4
Total F8	49.0
F9	12.6
F10a	223.3
F10b	39.7
Total F10	263.0
Total	509.0

Sandown Wetlands	Acres
S1a	72.51
S1b	9.23
S1c	10.36
Total S1	92.10
S2	16.90
S3	1.00
S4	6.89
S5	4.57
S6	5.80
S7a	2.21
S7b	28.45
Total S7	30.66
S8a	18.93
S8b	56.85
S8c	14.99
Total S8	90.77
S9	20.96
Total	269.65

The Wetland Map that follow include aerial photo interpreted wetland boundaries, Wetland ID, and other mapped features shown on the map legend on the next page.

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EXETER RIVER FLOODPLAIN WETLANDS Tiles 1 & 2 Data Sources: Floodplain Wetland Wetlands delineated by West Environmental, Inc. based on 2008 1'resolution aerial photography from the USGS and on field observation. Data Collection Points Features of interest (rare plants, invasive species, etc.) mapped by West Environmental, Inc. based on field observation and inference. Please see the accompanying report for more information. Parking The following data sources were mapped at 1:24,000 and distributed by NH GRANIT: Roads, from NHDOT and Town Boundaries, from USGS. Floodplain Potential Restoration Site Study Area based on the 100-year floodplain (Zone A) as mapped on the DFIRM (Digital Flood Insurance Rate Map) developed by FEMA and distributed by NH GRANIT. Background imagery is 2008 1'-resolution aerial Invasive Species photographs from USGS, provided by the Rockingham Planning Commission. Rare Plant Community Potential Rare Wildlife Species Habitat ENVIRONMENTAL IN Direction of Flow Neatline Associates Deerfield, NH Floodplain Study Area www.nhgis.com Rail Trail 0 1,000 Feet **Town Boundary**



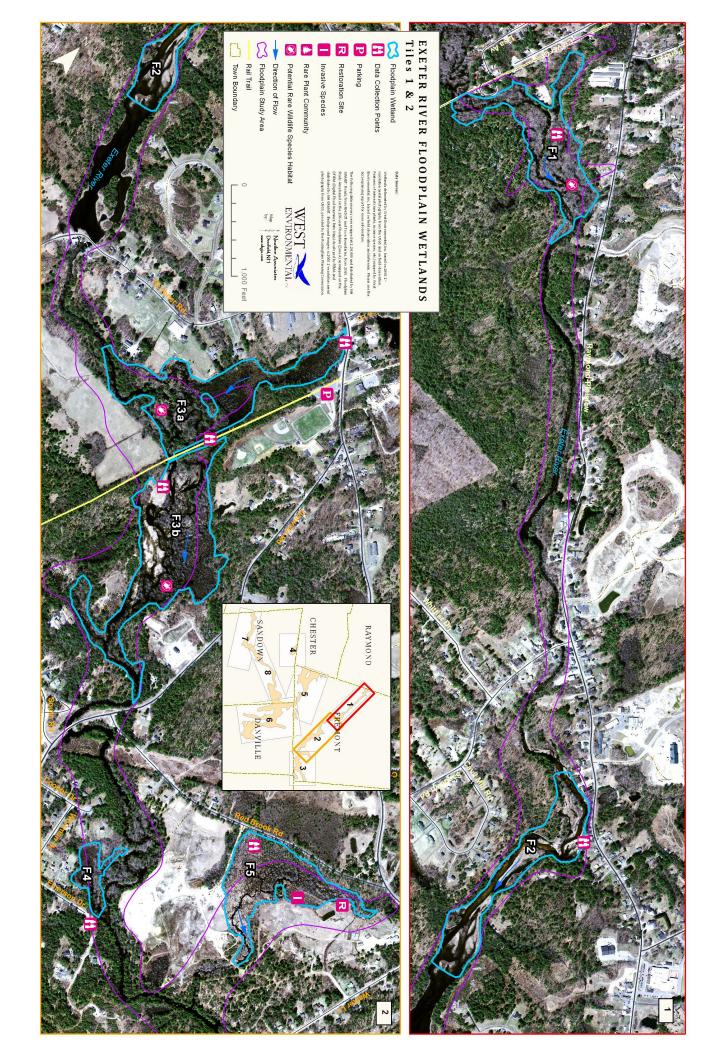
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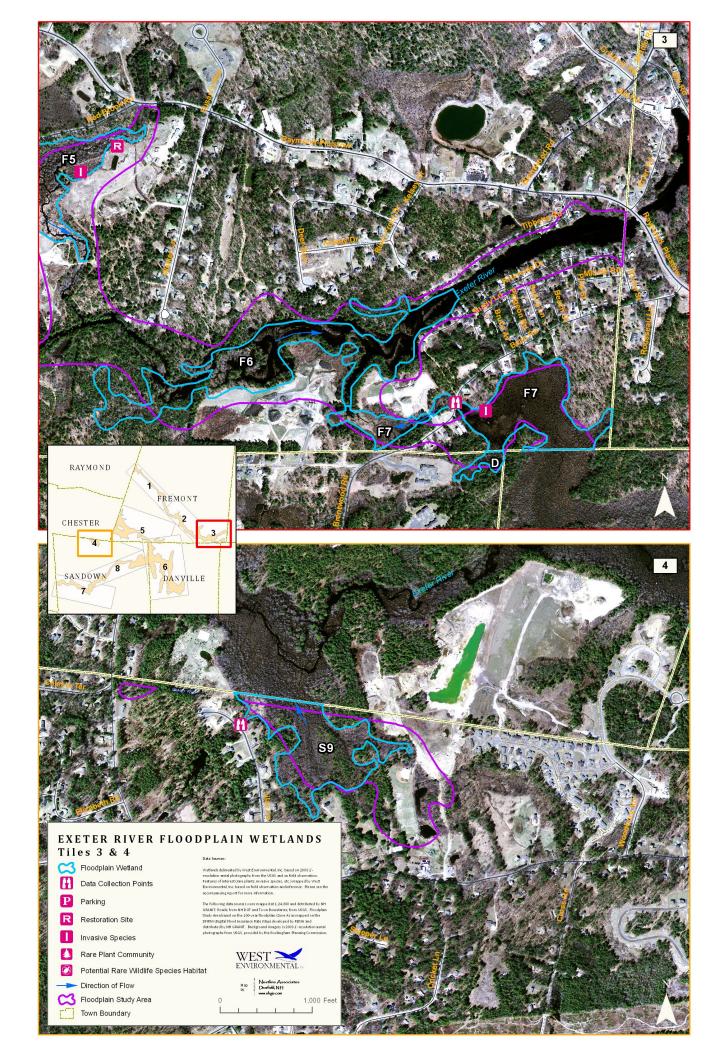
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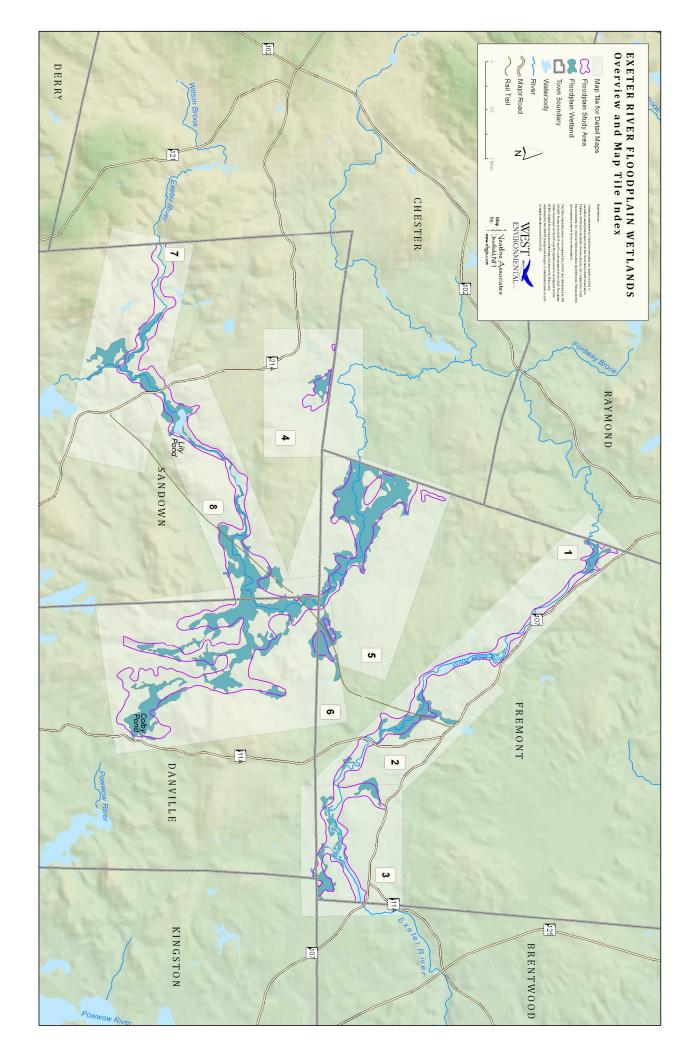
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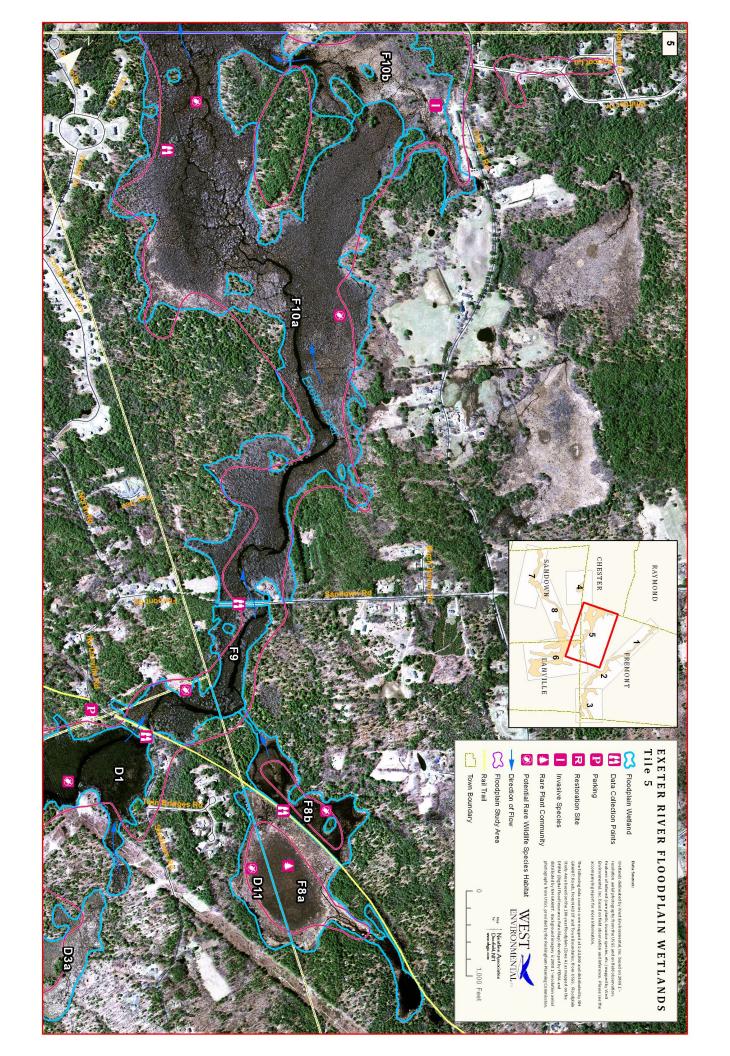
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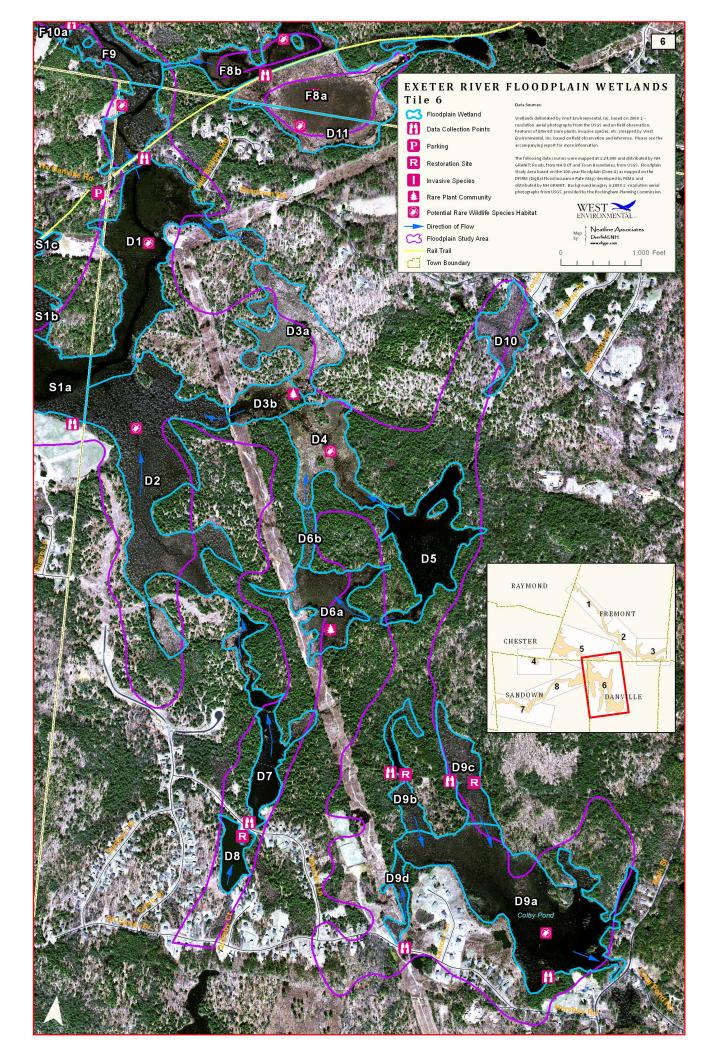


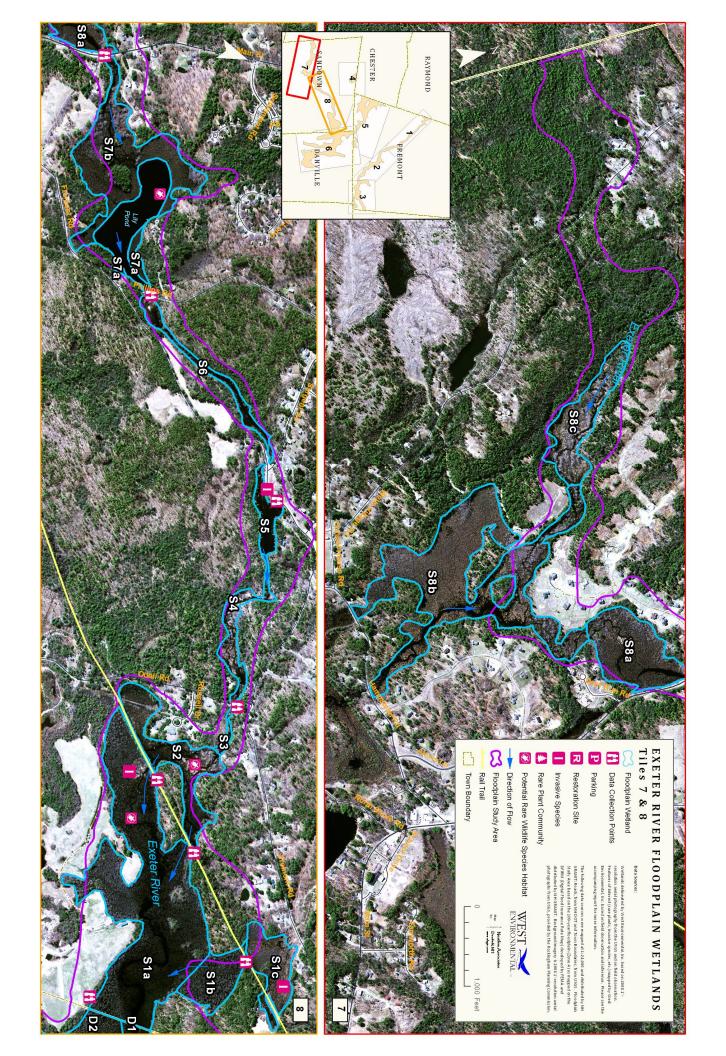














WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D1 CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1b ACREAGE: 56 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER Red maple Buttonbush Swamp loosestrife Cattail Dead trees Winterberry Tussock sedge Beggars tick Leatherleaf Aster Blue joint grass Eastern burreeed Royal fern ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Open water in river channel to 4-6' deep Remaining wetland 2-3' deep WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State | Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings & spotted turtle Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Soft muddy bottom, aquatic vegetation, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe: ∏Yes ⊠No Watercraft Access?

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

Rail trail crosses wetland downstream

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☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-2 CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1Eb ACREAGE: 64.6 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Red maple Speckled alder Northern arrowwood Tussock sedge Dead Winterberry Cinnamon fern Highbush blueberry Blue joint grass Maleberry Purple loosestrife ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded to 2' deep in wetland and 3-4' deep in stream channel **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ☐Yes ⊠No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ☐No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ☐No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:** ⊠Yes □No **Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential**

Describe: along powerlines east of wetland

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List: purple loosestrife

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

]Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

□Yes ⊠No

∃Yes ⊠No



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY

ACREAGE: 21.1

DATE: Dec 2010

CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1/FO1/4Eb

WETLAND ID: D-3a

WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: Dam Present ⊠Yes □No ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER Red maple Red maple Sweet pepperbush Sphagnum moss White pine Highbush blueberry Sedges Dead Winterberry Rushes Maleberry Cattail Leatherleaf Royal fern Cinnamon fern ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Seasonally flooded to 1-2' deep WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ☐No Yes No **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ☐No Amphibian Habitat? ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? Type: Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** ⊠Yes □No Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No Parking Available? ∃Yes ⊠No Describe: ¬Yes ⊠No Watercraft Access? ∃Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No **Hunting Permitted?** ⊠Yes □No Walking/Biking Trails? **¬Yes ⋈No** Invasive species ☐Yes ⊠No ATV/4 Wheel? ☐Yes ⊠No List:



WETLAND ID: D-3b CLASSIFICATION: PSS3/1/EM1Eb ACREAGE: 8 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER Leatherleaf Tussock sedge Dead **Sweet pepperbush** Blue joint grass Sheep laurel Canada rush Deep marsh plants ⊠Yes □No Rare Plant Community? Describe: Leatherleaf-sheep laurel dwarf shrub bog **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded to 3-4' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State X **Diversity** Region **Existing Critical Habitat** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings & spotted turtle habitat ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Unpolluted stream, soft muddy bottom, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No aquatic vegetation, loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES:** ⊠Yes □No **Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** Parking Available?]Yes ⊠No Describe: Trail crossing under power lines at outlet Watercraft Access?]Yes ⊠No ∏Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? H20 Quality Degradation Yes No Hunting Permitted? ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Walking/Biking Trails? ⊠Yes □No **Invasive species** ATV/4 Wheel? ⊠Yes □No

List:

power lines on west side of wetland

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-4 **CLASSIFICATION: PEM1/SS1Eb** ACREAGE: 19.8 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER Tussock sedge Red maple (sparse) Red maple (sparse) **Sweet pepperbush** Meadowsweet Blue joint grass Pockets of deep marsh veg. ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded to 1-3' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X **Diversity** Region **Existing Critical Habitat** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Marsh habitat for secretive bird species ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Large shallow and deep marsh, well Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No protected with extensive tall vegetation cover **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use**

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

]Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

□Yes ⊠No

∃Yes ⊠No

Describe:

List:

Invasive species

H20 Quality Degradation



☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-5 CLASSIFICATION: PFO5/UBHb ACREAGE: 24 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ☐ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub **⋈** MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed Lower Perennial \square RIVER Upper Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent ⊠ POND Name: ☐ Potential ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Abandoned Dam Present ⊠Yes □No Active Active WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Red maple Highbush blueberry (edges) Dead Deep marsh vegetation ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Permanently flooded to 4+/-' deep

WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?

Existing Critical Habitat

Critical Habitat Features

Region |

Type: Standing dead trees for heron nesting

Specific Habitat Features: Blue heron rookery

State

WETLAND VALUES:

Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter?

WILDLIFE HABITAT:

Aquatic Insect Habitat?

Amphibian Habitat?

Fisheries Habitat?

Cavity Trees?

Food Sources? Cover?

Diversity

Recreational Use Parking Available?	∐Yes ⊠No	Restoration Stabilization Potential Describe:	□Yes ⊠No
Watercraft Access? Fishing Available? Hunting Permitted?	☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No ☑Yes ☐No	H20 Quality Degradation	□Yes ⊠No
Walking/Biking Trails? ATV/4 Wheel?	☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No	Invasive species List:	□Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

Yes No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

]Yes ⊠No



⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-6 CLASSIFICATION: PSS1 ACREAGE: 19.4 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub **⋈** MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed Lower Perennial \square RIVER Upper Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Dam Present ⊠Yes □No Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER SHRUB LAYER Red maple Red maple Sweet pepperbush Sphagnum moss Dead Winterberry Tussock sedge Highbush blueberry Royal fern Broadleafed cattail ⊠Yes □No Describe: Sweet pepperbush wooded fen (S2) Rare Plant Community? **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded 1-2' deep by beaver dam **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ☐Yes ⊠No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ☐No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:**

Recreational Use		Restoration Stabilization Potential	⊠Yes □No	
Parking Available?	☐Yes ⊠No	Describe: ATV trails cross wetlands in s	everal locations	
Watercraft Access?	☐Yes ⊠No			
Fishing Available?	☐Yes ⊠No	H20 Quality Degradation	⊠Yes □No	
Hunting Permitted?	⊠Yes □No			
Walking/Biking Trails?	Yes No	Invasive species	□Yes ⊠No	
ATV/4 Wheel?	⊠Yes □No	List:		
Powerlines along western boundary of wetland				

Powerlines along western boundary of wetland



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-7 CLASSIFICATION: PEM1/ABHb ACREAGE: 17.1 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ☐ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub **⋈** MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Abandoned Dam Present ⊠Yes □No Active Active WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Tussock sedge Dead Steeplebush Woolgrass Blue joint grass Eastern burreed ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded to 2-4' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? Diversity** State Region | Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings/spotted turtle habitat ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Aquatic vegetation, soft bottom open water, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use**

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No

]Yes ⊠No

]Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

Describe:

List:

Invasive species

H20 Quality Degradation



☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-8 CLASSIFICATION: PUBHb ACREAGE: 5.7 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ☐ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent ⊠ POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: Man made pond in subdivision BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER SAPLING LAYER Red maple (edges) **Broad-leaf cattail Sweet pepperbush** Sedges ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Man-made impounded pond to 6+' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State **Diversity** Region | Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type:]Yes ⊠No Food Sources? Cover?]Yes ⊠No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:**

Restoration Stabilization Potential

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

Describe: Fill area to road northwest side of pond

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

Recreational Use

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND ID: D-9a CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1/FO5b ACREAGE: 60.6 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: Deciduous ☐ WOODED SWAMP Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent Name: Colby Pond ⊠ POND ☐ Documented ☐ VERNAL POOL ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Leatherleaf Tussock sedge Dead Red maple (sparse) **Buttonbush Broad-leaf cattail** Blue joint grass Winterberry Highbush blueberry Swamp loosestrife Sheep laurel Bidens Eastern burreed Deep marsh vegetation ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Impounded to 2-4' deep behind beaver dam; flows south away from Exeter River WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State Region | **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Great blue heron rookery Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No Parking Available? ∃Yes ⊠No Describe: Yes No Watercraft Access?]Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No **Hunting Permitted?**]Yes ⊠No Walking/Biking Trails? ∃Yes ⊠No Invasive species ☐Yes ⊠No

ATV/4 Wheel?

☐Yes ⊠No

List:

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-9b **CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1E** ACREAGE: 7.3 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: Notential Notes Documented ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Abandoned Active Active Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER SHRUB LAYER Red maple Red maple Highbush blueberry Tussock sedge Winterberry Cinnamon fern Maleberry Royal fern Red chokeberry Soft rush Sheep laurel Meadowsweet ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Seasonally flooded 1-3' deep; drains south away from Exeter River WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State Region | **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No Yes No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Spotted turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Unpolluted stream, soft muddy bottom, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No aquatic vegetatuion, vernal pools **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ⊠Yes □No Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe: Tucker Town Road Class 6 crosses wetland ¬Yes ¬No Watercraft Access?

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

Yes No

Yes No

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-9c **CLASSIFICATION: PFO1Eb** ACREAGE: 10.6 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Red maple Red maple Winterberry Cinnamon fern Black ash Black ash Northern arrowwood Sedges Speckled alder Highbush blueberry **Nodding marigold** Meadowsweet Soft rush Silky dogwood ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded to 1-3' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State **Diversity** Region | Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:** ⊠Yes □No **Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe: Large road crossing Tucker Town Road Watercraft Access?]Yes ⊠No

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

∏Yes ∏No

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

Yes No

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-9d **CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1E** ACREAGE: 3.7 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Speckled alder Tussock sedge Dead Winterberry **Sweet pepperbush Broad-leaf cattail** Poison sumac Blue joint grass Chokeberry Eastern burreed Highbush blueberry Purple loosestrife Pussywillow ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Seasonally flooded to 1' deep, 3' deep in stream channel WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State Region | **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings/spotted turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Aquatic vegetation, soft muddy bottom Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe: ¬Yes ¬No Watercraft Access? ☐Yes ⊠No **H20 Quality Degradation** Fishing Available? Yes No (potentially from ATV trails)

Invasive species

List: Purple loosestrife

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No



⊠Yes □No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: D-10 **CLASSIFICATION: PF01E** ACREAGE: 10.7 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous | Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial ☐ Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER Red maple Winterberry Cinnamon fern Yellow birch Highbush blueberry Tussock sedge ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded/saturated to less than 1' deep; drains west away from Exeter River **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ☐Yes ⊠No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ∏Yes ⊠No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No Fisheries Habitat? ☐Yes ⊠No Cavity Trees? Type: Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? □Yes ⊠No **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use** Parking Available?]Yes ⊠No Describe:

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

☐Yes ⊠No ☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

∏Yes ⊠No

∃Yes ⊠No



☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND ID: F-8a & D-11 CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/3/EM1H ACREAGE: 43.42 **DATE: Dec 2010** WETLAND TYPE: Deciduous ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH ☐ Freshwater Deep Freshwater Shallow Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER Leatherleaf Swamp candle **Bayberry** 3-way sedge Steeplebush Sweet gale Canada rush Sedges Meadowsweet Eastern burreed Winterberry Soft rush Red maple Sheep laurel Swamp loosestrife Tussock sedge ⊠Yes □No Rare Plant Community? Describe: Leatherleaf-sheep laurel dwarf shrub bog WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Wetland is permanently flooded to 3' deep from beaver dams and feeds into an intermittent stream which flows west into river **WILDLIFE HABITAT: WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** ⊠Yes □No State 🖂 Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings/spotted turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Soft muddy bottom, aquatic vegetation, ⊠Yes □No Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES:**

Restoration Stabilization Potential

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

Describe:

List:

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

Yes No

Recreational Use

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted? Walking/Biking Trails?

ATV/4 Wheel?

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND ID: F1 **CLASSIFICATION: PFO1C** ACREAGE: 21 DATE: WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous | Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Red maple Red maple Highbush blueberry Cinnamon fern White pine Winterberry Royal fern Northern arrowwood Marsh fern Silky dogwood Sedges Meadowsweet Burreed **Buttonbush** Pickerel weed ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Seasonally flooded with backwaters and old oxbows up to 4' deep WILDLIFE HABITAT: ☐Yes ⊠No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: Wood turtle Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Sandy bottom, overhanging banks Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No Parking Available? ∃Yes ⊠No Describe: ¬Yes ⊠No Watercraft Access? ∃Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No **Hunting Permitted?** ⊠Yes □No Walking/Biking Trails? **¬Yes ⋈No Invasive species** ☐Yes ⊠No ATV/4 Wheel? ☐Yes ⊠No List:

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1E & PFO1E ACREAGE: 61.6 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND ID: F3a & 3b WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous | Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed Name Lower Perennial ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: Abandoned Dam Present Yes No BEAVER FLOWAGE Active WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA *PSS1/EM1E (F3b)* TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Red maple Red maple Speckled alder Tussock sedge **Smartweed Highbush blueberry** Cinnamon fern Pickerel weed Northern arrowwood Burreed Arrowhead Meadowsweet Sweet flag Woolgrass Silky dogwood Blue joint grass Water hemlock **Buttonbush** Marsh fern 3-way sedge Swamp candle **Tearthumb** Reed canary grass *PFO1E(F3a)* TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Red maple Red maple Speckled alder Tussock sedge Jewelweed **Buttonbush** Royal fern Pickerel weed Rare Plant Community? Yes No Describe: WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA: Seasonally flooded by river with active floodplain oxbows and backwater areas up to 4' deep; marsh areas 1-2' deep with 3' deep depressions **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? Type: Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Cover? **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:** ☐Yes ⊠No **Restoration Stabilization Potential Recreational Use**

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No

Yes No

Yes No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

Describe:

Invasive species

H20 Quality Degradation

List: Reed canary grass

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: F4 **CLASSIFICATION: PSS1/EM1E** ACREAGE: 4 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ☐ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub **⋈** MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial ☐ Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER **Broad-leaved cattail** Buttonbush Sweet gale Swamp milkweed Meadowsweet Royal fern (on perimeter) Silky dogwood Lurid sedge False nettle (on perimeter) Yes No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Active floodplain Seasonally flooded to 3' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No **Critical Habitat Features** Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? ☐Yes ⊠No Cavity Trees? Type: Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:** Yes No **Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential**

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

□Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

Describe:

List:

Invasive species

H20 Quality Degradation



☐Yes ⊠No

Yes No

WETLAND ID: F5 CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1E/EM1Eb ACREAGE: 18.1 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous | Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed \square RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL ☐ Documented ☐ Potential HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER Red maple Red maple Pepperbush Tussock sedge Scattered softwood Winterberry Cinnamon fern Royal fern Northern arrowwood Maleberry Sphagnum moss Meadowsweet Purple loosestrife ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Pit & mound topography Seasonally flooded to 1-2' deep A perennial stream bisects the southern component of this wetland, draining in a southwesterly direction towards the river WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State Region | **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? Yes No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Yes No **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: Food Sources? Yes No Cover? Yes No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? Yes No **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use** Restoration Stabilization Potential ⊠Yes □No Parking Available? ∃Yes ⊠No Describe: potentially along the eastern boundary Watercraft Access?]Yes ⊠No]Yes ⊠No Yes No (from adjacent excavated areas) Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No Hunting Permitted? Walking/Biking Trails?]Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes □No **Invasive species**

List: purple loosestrife

ATV/4 Wheel?

∏Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND ID: F6, F7 CLASSIFICATION: PSS1E/PEM1E ACREAGE: 60.2 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous | Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: ⊠ STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER Tussock sedge Red maple **Red maple (on perimeter)** Winterberry Buttonbush **Broad-leaf cattail** Highbush blueberry Sedges Grasses Yes No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Large open water component 6' deep Evident river channel (Exeter River) flowing easterly Standing water evident in scrub-shrub wetland adjacent Old Danville Road Associated perennial brook that drains in a northwesterly direction WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? Type: Wood turtle Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Sandy bottom, overhanging banks Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use** Restoration Stabilization Potential □Yes ⊠No Parking Available? □Yes □No Describe: Watercraft Access?]Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? Yes No **H20 Quality Degradation** Hunting Permitted? Yes No

Walking/Biking Trails?

ATV/4 Wheel?

]Yes □No

Yes No

Invasive species

List: Phragmites

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⊠Yes □No

WETLAND ID: F8b	CLASSIFICATION	: PSS/ABHb	ACREAGE: 17.4	DATE: Dec 2010			
WETLAND TYPE:							
 WOODED SWAMP MARSH WET MEADOW RIVER STREAM POND VERNAL POOL HUMAN MADE or OTHER BEAVER FLOWAGE 	Deciduous Freshwater Sha Ditched Upper Perennia Perennial Name: Documented Description: Active	Grazed	er Deep erennial Or ent	Scrub-Shrub Tidal der:			
WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA							
TREE LAYER S.	APLING LAYER	SHRUB LAYER Maleberry Sweet pepperbush Buttonbush	HERBACEOUS L Eastern burreed Spadderdock Arrow arum Tussock sedge				
Rare Plant Community?	Yes □No	Describe:					
WETLAND HYDROLOGY D	DATA:						
Wetland is permanently flooded to 3' deep from beaver dams and feeds into an intermittent stream which flows west into river							
WILDLIFE HABITAT: Diversity Aquatic Insect Habitat? Amphibian Habitat? Fisheries Habitat? Cavity Trees? Food Sources? Cover? Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter?	 		Region 🗌 Iabitat 🖂	Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes No tom, aquatic vegetation,			
WETLAND VALUES:							
Recreational Use Parking Available? Watercraft Access?	⊠Yes □No □Yes ⊠No	Restoration Stabilization F Describe:					
Fishing Available? Hunting Permitted?	□Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes □No	H20 Quality Degradation	☐Yes ☒ĭ				
Walking/Biking Trails? ATV/4 Wheel?	⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No	Invasive species List:	☐Yes ☑¹	No			

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: F-9 **CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1E** ACREAGE: 12.6 **DATE: Dec 2010** WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: Abandoned BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER Red maple Red maple Speckled alder Blue joint grass Bayberry Sweet gale American elm Winterberry Sweet gale Eastern burreed Glossy-leaved Tussock sedge Northern arrowwood buckthorn Meadowsweet Buttonbush Royal fern Marsh fern Sweet pepperbush Dogwood Maleberry Winterberry Highbush blueberry **Bayberry** Rare Plant Community? ☐Yes ⊠No Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Wetland is seasonally flooded to 3-4' deep by Exeter River; river channel to 6' deep WILDLIFE HABITAT: ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X Region **Diversity** Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Yes No ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings/spotted turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Soft muddy bottom, aquatic vegetation, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES: Recreational Use Restoration Stabilization Potential** ⊠Yes □No Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe:

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

∏Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND ID: F10a, F10b CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1/EM1Eb ACREAGE: 263 **DATE: Dec 2010** WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub ⊠ MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL ☐ Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SHRUB LAYER American elm Speckled alder Blue joint grass Red maple Bayberry Cinnamon fern American elm Red maple Winterberry Sweet gale Royal fern Water hemlock Marsh fern Green ash Northern Glossy-leaved Asters arrowwood buckthorn Black gum Meadowsweet Buttonbush Sphagnum moss Goldenrod Poison ivy Sweet pepperbush Silky dogwood Joe pye weed Tussock sedge Maleberry Winterberry Sensitive fern **Highbush blueberry** Sweet flag Virginia creeper Rare Plant Community? ☐Yes ⊠No Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Wetland is seasonally flooded to 3-4' deep by the Exeter River and beaver dams; river channel to 6' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? ☐Yes ⊠No State Region **Diversity** ⊠Yes □No □Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Aquatic Insect Habitat? **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No Fisheries Habitat? Cavity Trees? ⊠Yes □No Type: Wood turtle habitat Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Cover? Specific Habitat Features: Sandy bottom, overhanging banks Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES:** ☐Yes ⊠No **Restoration Stabilization Potential Recreational Use** □Yes ⊠No Parking Available? Describe: ☐Yes ⊠No Watercraft Access? Yes No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes □No **Hunting Permitted?** Walking/Biking Trails? ⊠Yes □No ☐Yes ⊠No **Invasive species** ATV/4 Wheel? ☐Yes ⊠No List: Glossy leaved buckthorn

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



CLASSIFICATION: PFO1/SS1Cb; ACREAGE: 92.10 **DATE: Dec 2010** WETLAND ID: S1a, S1b, PSS1/EM1E S₁c **WETLAND TYPE:** Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal ☐ WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Order: Perennial STREAM Intermittent \square POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL ☐ Documented Potential HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA (S1a/b) PFO1/SS1E SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER TREE LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Red maple Red maple Sweet pepperbush Winterberry Wood reed **Sedges** Black gum Highbush blueberry Silky dogwood Cinnamon fern Royal fern Speckled alder Tussock sedge Blue joint grass **Phragmites** (S1c) PSS1/EM1E TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Meadowsweet Steeplebush Sedges Woolgrass Speckled alder Rushes Winterberry Large leaf cranberry ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Seasonally flooded by the Exeter River and flooded by beaver dams up to 3-4' deep Active floodplain **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? ⊠Yes □No State X Region **Diversity** ⊠Yes □No □Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Aquatic Insect Habitat? **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** Fisheries Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Cavity Trees? ⊠Yes □No **Type:** Blandings/spotted turtle Food Sources? ⊠Yes □No Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Soft muddy bottom, aquatic vegetation, ⊠Yes □No Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES:** ☐Yes ⊠No Restoration Stabilization Potential **Recreational Use** ⊠Yes □No Parking Available? Describe: ⊠Yes □No Watercraft Access? ⊠Yes □No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No Yes No **Hunting Permitted?** Walking/Biking Trails? ⊠Yes □No ⊠Yes □No Invasive species

List: phragmites

⊠Yes □No

ATV/4 Wheel?

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM – EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY



WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: S2 **CLASSIFICATION: PSS1E** ACREAGE: 16.9 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ⊠ BEAVER FLOWAGE Active Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER Buttonbush Tussock sedge **Black willow** Blue joint grass Deep marsh species ⊠Yes □No Rare Plant Community? Describe: Buttonbush oxbow swamp **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Flooded to 3-4' deep **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ⊠Yes □No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State X **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ⊠Yes □No **Critical Habitat Features** ⊠Yes □No Amphibian Habitat? ⊠Yes □No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? **Type:** Blandings & spotted turtle ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No Specific Habitat Features: Soft muddy bottom, aquatic vegetation, Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No loafing logs **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use**

Parking Available?

Watercraft Access?

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?

⊠Yes □No

☐Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes ☐No

☐Yes ⊠No

⊠Yes □No

⊠Yes □No

Describe:

List:

Invasive species

H20 Quality Degradation



Yes No (potentially from adjacent

☐Yes ⊠No

development)

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY WETLAND ID: S3 **CLASSIFICATION: PFO1C** ACREAGE: 1 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous X Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal **WET MEADOW** Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: Abandoned ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER TREE LAYER Red maple Red maple Highbush blueberry Cinnamon fern White pine Sedges Red oak ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Floodplain wetland that floods during high water but is dry the rest of the year **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ☐Yes ⊠No WAP Highest Ranked Habitat? State **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes □No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use** Parking Available?]Yes ⊠No Describe: Watercraft Access? ∃Yes ⊠No

H20 Quality Degradation

Invasive species

List:

Yes No

∃Yes ⊠No

∃Yes ⊠No

☐Yes ⊠No

Fishing Available?

Hunting Permitted?

ATV/4 Wheel?

Walking/Biking Trails?



☐Yes ⊠No

WETLAND INVENTORY DATA FORM - EXETER RIVER BIOINVENTORY

WETLAND ID: S4 CLASSIFICATION: PSS1C ACREAGE: 6.89 DATE: Dec 2010 WETLAND TYPE: ⊠ WOODED SWAMP Deciduous Evergreen Scrub-Shrub MARSH Freshwater Shallow Freshwater Deep Tidal WET MEADOW Ditched Grazed ⊠ RIVER Upper Perennial Lower Perennial Order: STREAM Perennial Intermittent POND Name: ☐ VERNAL POOL Documented ☐ Potential ☐ HUMAN MADE or OTHER Description: ☐ BEAVER FLOWAGE ☐ Active Abandoned Dam Present Yes No WETLAND PLANT COMMUNITY DATA TREE LAYER SAPLING LAYER SHRUB LAYER HERBACEOUS LAYER Red maple Silky dogwood Sedges Speckled alder Grasses **Buttonbush** Eastern burreed ☐Yes ⊠No Rare Plant Community? Describe: **WETLAND HYDROLOGY DATA:** Semipermanently flooded by old dam **WILDLIFE HABITAT:** ☐Yes ⊠No **WAP Highest Ranked Habitat?** State **Diversity** Region Aquatic Insect Habitat? ⊠Yes □No **Existing Critical Habitat** ☐Yes ⊠No Amphibian Habitat? **Critical Habitat Features** ☐Yes ⊠No ⊠Yes □No Yes No Fisheries Habitat? Yes No Cavity Trees? Type: ⊠Yes □No Food Sources? Cover? ⊠Yes □No **Specific Habitat Features:** Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter? ⊠Yes □No **WETLAND VALUES: Restoration Stabilization Potential** ☐Yes ⊠No **Recreational Use** Parking Available? ⊠Yes □No Describe: Watercraft Access? ∐Yes ⊠No Yes No ☐Yes ⊠No Fishing Available? **H20 Quality Degradation** ☐Yes ⊠No Hunting Permitted? Yes No ☐Yes ⊠No Walking/Biking Trails? **Invasive species** ATV/4 Wheel? ☐Yes ⊠No List:



WETLAND ID: S5	CLASSIFICATION	: PEM1/SS1/ABH	ACREAGE:	4.57	DATE: Dec 2010
WETLAND TYPE:					
 WOODED SWAMP MARSH WET MEADOW RIVER STREAM POND VERNAL POOL HUMAN MADE or OTHER 	☐ Deciduous ☐ Freshwater Sha ☐ Ditched ☐ Upper Perennia ☐ Perennial Name: ☐ Documented Description:	llow	Evergreen Freshwater Deep Grazed Lower Perennial ntermittent		Scrub-Shrub Tidal Order:
BEAVER FLOWAGE	Active		Abandoned		Dam Present Yes No
WETLAND PLANT COMMU	NITY DATA				
TREE LAYER Red maple	<u>SAPLING LAYER</u>	Higl Nor	PUB LAYER hbush blueberry thern arrowwood ssy leaved buckthorn		HERBACEOUS LAYER Water willow Tussock sedge Cinnamon fern Purple loosestrife Deep marsh species
Rare Plant Community?	es ⊠No Describ	e:			
WETLAND HYDROLOGY D	ATA:				
Impounded to 6' deep behind o	lam with areas of 2-4	4' deep ponding and	river channel at upst	tream ei	nd
WILDLIFE HABITAT: Diversity Aquatic Insect Habitat? Amphibian Habitat? Fisheries Habitat? Cavity Trees? Food Sources? Cover? Prox. to Beaver/Mink/Otter?	 ∑Yes	State Existing C Existing C Critical Ha	est Ranked Habitat? Region ritical Habitat abitat Features abitat Features:		□Yes ⊠No □Yes ⊠No □Yes ⊠No
WETLAND VALUES:					
Recreational Use Parking Available?	□Yes ⊠No	Restoration Stabili Describe:	zation Potential	□Yes	⊠No
Watercraft Access? Fishing Available? Hunting Permitted?	 Yes	H20 Quality Degradation		□Yes ⊠No	
Walking/Biking Trails? ATV/4 Wheel?		Invasive species List: Purple looses barberry (on road	trife, glossy buckthor	⊠Yes rn, Japa	□No nese knotweed (on road slope),

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1. Wetland D-1 is a large buttonbush swamp south of Sandown Road.



2. Wetland D-1 – This is a view of the rail trail bridge over the Exeter River at the Danville-Fremont town line.



3. Wetland D-2 is a large forested wetland complex in the background behind this new house on Caleb Drive.



4. Wetland D-4 is a remote marsh wetland complex.



5. Wetland D-4 – this wetland provides potential habitat for secretive marsh bird species.



6. Wetland D-5 is an active beaver pond.



7. Wetland D-5 has a great blue heron rookery. This tree has three nests in it.



8. Wetland D-6a is a sweet pepperbush wooded fen.



9. This portion of Wetland D-6a under the power lines is a cattail marsh.



10. Wetland D-6b is a hemlock dominated forested wetland.



11. Wetland D-7a is an active beaver flowage with shallow and deep marsh habitat.



12. Wetland D-8 is also an active beaver pond with a small dam at its outlet.



13. Wetland D-8 – This beaver was sunning itself in the December morning sunlight.



14. The Restoration Site in Wetland D-8 is used as a parking area.



15. Great Blue Heron Rookery in Wetland D-9a (Colby Pond) – this rookery has seven nests.



16. Wetland D-10 is a Red Maple Swamp that flows away from the Exeter River Floodplain.



17. This photo is looking south from the rail trail in Fremont at Wetland D-11 which is in the background.



Wetland F-1 – Vernal floodplain pool community



Wetland F-3 – Deep emergent marsh-aquatic bed community



1. Wetland F-3 – this is a view of the wetland associated with the tributary stream that flows into Wetland 3 from the north.



2. Wetland F-4



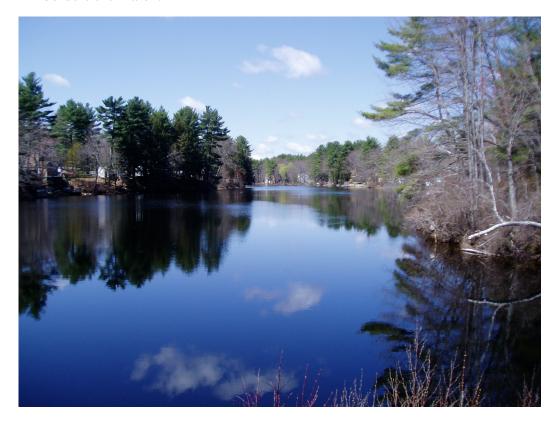
3. Wetland F-4 is an old oxbow channel of the river.



4. Wetland F-5 is a forested wetland complex.



5. Wetland F-6 is a shallow and deep marsh wetland. A small stand of invasive phragmites (left) borders the marsh.



6. Wetland F-7 is an open water component of the Exeter River.



7. Wetland F-8a includes a leatherleaf-sheep laurel dwarf shrub bog.



8. This photo is looking north from the rail trail at the outlet of Wetland F-8b where it flows under the trail into Wetland F-8a.



9. Wetland F-8b is another buttonbush swamp.



10. Wetland F-9 is a thick scrub shrub/forested wetland complex.



11. Wetland F-10 is a very large forested floodplain swamp. This is the largest wetland within the study area at 263 acres.



1. Wetland S-1a looking down from the rail trail where small stands of invasive phragmites border the channel in the background.



2. Wetland S-1a is a very large scrub-shrub wetland complex bordering the river.



3. Portions of Wetland S-1a are a forested floodplain wetland.



4. Wetland S-2 is an oxbow buttonbush swamp.



5. Wetland S-2 – the seed of buttonbush shrubs are an important food source for waterfowl.



6. This photo shows Wetland S-3 from Odell Road Bridge.



7. There is a USGS gauge on the Exeter River at the Odell Road Bridge.



8. Wetland S-4 is a silky dogwood scrub-shrub wetland upstream of the old mill site.



9. Wetland S-4 – this is a view of the stonework at the old mill site which is now a small park.



10. This is a view of Wetland S-5 from Fremont Road. The dam is in the left background of the photo. An emergent marsh borders the river behind the dam.



11. Wetland S-5 has invasive species (Japanese knotweed) on the road slopes adjacent to the wetland.



12. Wetland S-6 from Fremont Road at another old mill site.



13. Wetland S-6 in the background from Fremont road where the river flows past fields.



14. Wetlands S-7a and S-7b are scrub-shrub forested wetlands.



15. Wetlands S-7a and S-7b include a frozen river near Lilly Pond.



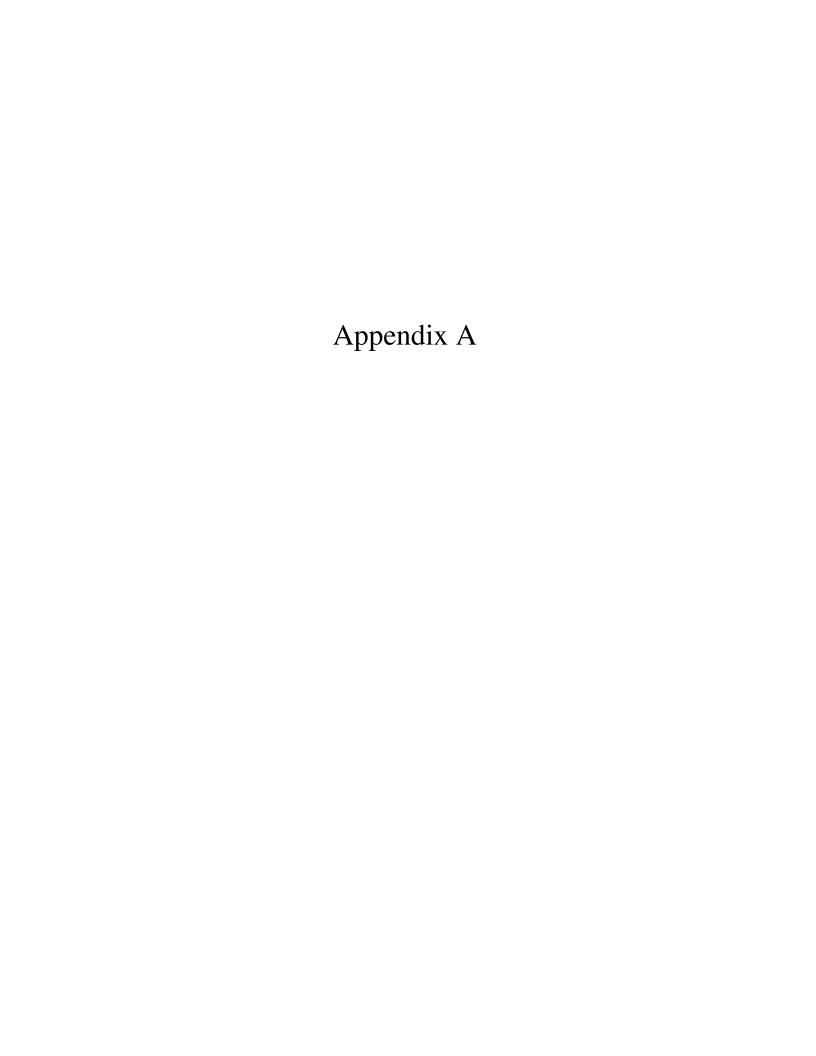
16. Wetlands S-8a, 8b & 8c - a large scrub-shrub wetland complex where a tributary stream joins the river.



17. Wetlands S-8a, 8b & 8c – this photo shows coyote tracks across the frozen river.



18. Wetland S-9 is a forested wetland south of the Exeter River on the Chester town line.





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From: Sara Cairns, NH Natural Heritage Bureau

Date: 2010-12-09

Re: Review by NH Natural Heritage Bureau of request dated 2010-12-08

NHB File ID: 871 Town: Fremont, Sandown, Danville

Project type: Landowner Request Location: 100-year floodplain in the towns of Fremont, Sandown, and Danville

I have searched our database for records of rare species and exemplary natural communities on the property(s) identified in your request. Our database includes known records for species officially listed as Threatened or Endangered by either the state of New Hampshire or the federal government, as well as species and natural communities judged by experts to be at risk in New Hampshire but not yet formally listed.

NHB records on the property(s):

	Mapping Precision	% within tract	Last Reported	Listing Status		Conservation Rank	
Invertebrate Species		T.		Federal	NH	Global	State
Brook Floater (Alasmidonta varicosa)	Good	40	1953		E	G3	S1
Vertebrate species (For more information on animal species, contact Kim Tuttle, NH F&G at 271-6544)				Federal	NH	Global	State
Banded Sunfish (Enneacanthus obesus)	Good	102	2006		SC	G5	S3
Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)	Good	-18	2008		Е	G4	S1
Bridled Shiner (Notropis bifrenatus)	Good	95	2006		T	G3	S2
Great Blue Heron (Rookery) (Ardea herodias)	Good	100	1990			G5	S4B
Redfin Pickerel (Esox americanus americanus)	Good	100	2000		SC	T5	S3
Vesper Sparrow (Pooecetes gramineus)	Good	39	2001		SC	G5	S2B

NOTE: This review *cannot* be used to satisfy a permit or other regulatory requirement to check for rare species or habitats that could be affected by a proposed project, since it provides detailed information only for records actually on the property.



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NHB records within one mile of the property(s):

	Last Reported	Listing Status		Conservation Rank	
Vertebrate species (For more information on animal species, contact Kim Tuttle, NH F&G at 271-6544)		Federal	NH	Global	State
Great Blue Heron (Rookery) (Ardea herodias)	1986	-		G5	S4B
Redfin Pickerel (Esox americanus americanus)	1984		SC	T5	S3
Banded Sunfish (Enneacanthus obesus)	2005	1	SC	G5	S3
Swamp Darter (Etheostoma fusiforme)	1984	1	SC	G5	S3
Spotted Turtle (Clemmys guttata)	2008	-	Т	G5	S2
Blanding's Turtle (Emydoidea blandingii)	2009	-	Е	G4	S1
Natural Community		Federal	NH	Global	State
Sweet pepperbush wooded fen	2009		1		S2
Poor level fen/bog system	2009				S3
Plant species		Federal	NH	Global	State
Climbing Hempweed (Mikania scandens)	1940	-	Е	G5	S1
Featherfoil (Hottonia inflata)	1940		— E	G4	S1
Piled-up Sedge (Carex cumulata)	0		T	G4	S2

Listing codes: T = Threatened, E = Endangered SC = Special Concern

Rank prefix: G = Global, S = State, T = Global or state rank for a sub-species or variety (taxon)

Rank suffix: 1-5 = Most (1) to least (5) imperiled. "--", U, NR = Not ranked.

B = Breeding population, N = Non-breeding. H = Historical, X = Extirpated.

A negative result (no record in our database) does not mean that no rare species are present. Our data can only tell you of known occurrences, based on information gathered by qualified biologists and reported to our office. However, many areas have never been surveyed, or have only been surveyed for certain species. An onsite survey would provide better information on what species and communities are indeed present.

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