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SUBJECT: **Wetland and Stream Reconnaissance for:**
3605 – 86th Ave. SE, Mercer Island, WA
Parcel 502190-0045

Dear Justin:

On September 6, 2023 I conducted a wetland and stream reconnaissance on the subject property utilizing the methodology outlined in the May 2010 *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region (Version 2.0).* No wetlands or streams were identified on or adjacent to the property during the field investigation.

The site is currently entirely developed with a single-family residence, detached garage, and associated maintained yard. No intact native plant communities are located on the site and vegetation was dominated by scattered trees and ornamental plantings including a rhododendron garden in the southwest corner of the site. Vegetation in the lawn was typically restricted to grasses and low mesic weeds such as dandelion (*Taraxacum officinale*) and cat's-ear (*Hypochaeris radicata*). No definitive hydrophytic plant communities were observed on the property.

Borings taken throughout the site revealed high chroma non-hydric soils and there was no evidence of ponding or prolonged soil saturation anywhere in the vicinity of the property. **Attachment A** contains data sheets prepared for representative locations in the uplands on the site. These data sheets document the vegetation, soils, and hydrology information that aided in the no wetland determination for the property.

Conclusion

No wetlands or streams were identified on or immediately adjacent to the site. This determination is based on a field investigation during which no hydrophytic plant communities, hydric soils, or evidence of wetland hydrology or channels were observed.

If you have any questions regarding the reconnaissance, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

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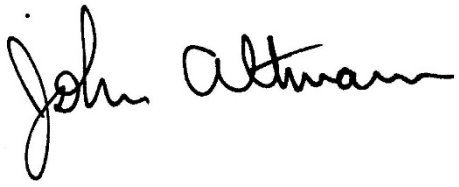
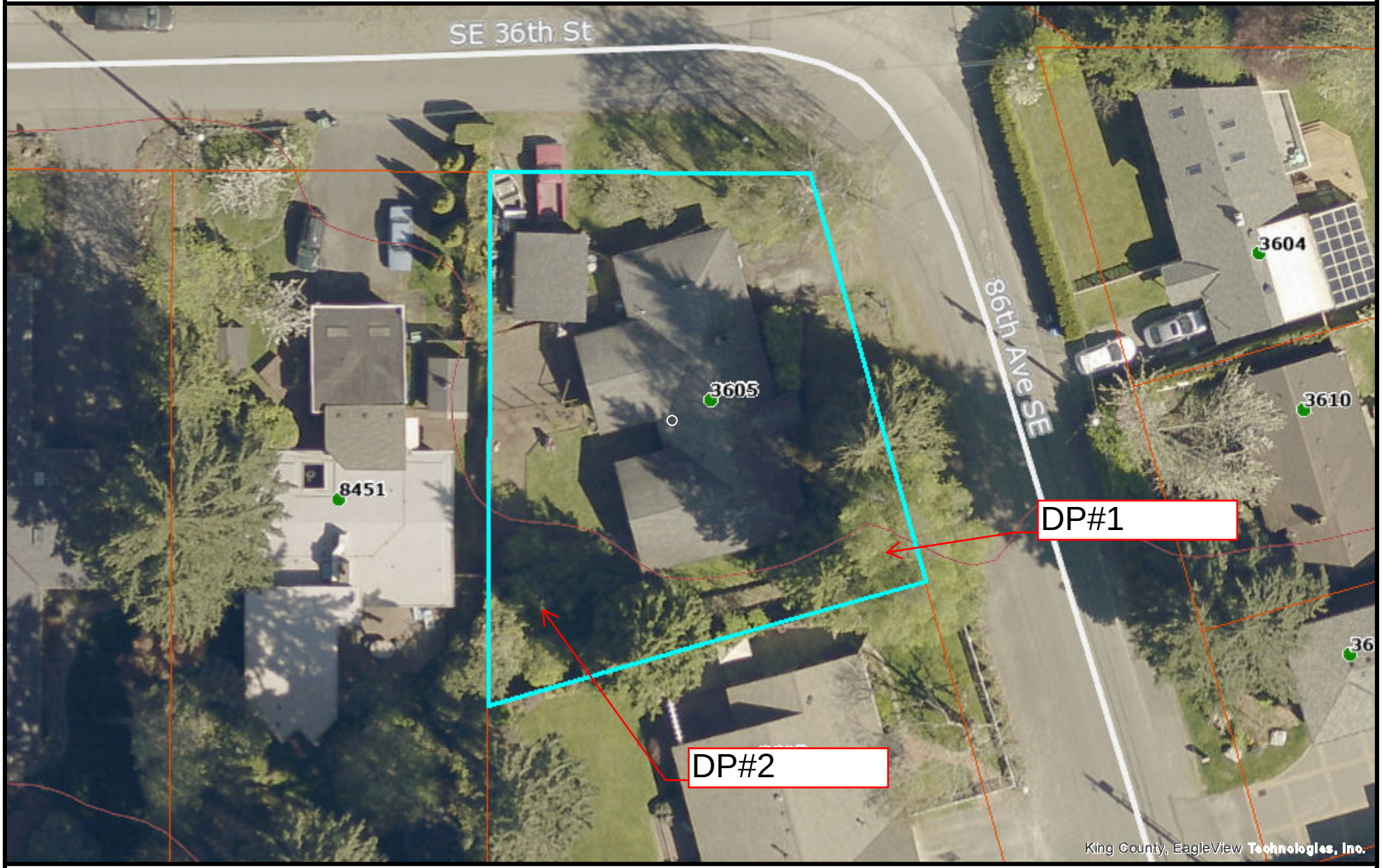


John Altmann
Ecologist

Attachment

Datasheets Map



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ATTACHMENT A
DATA SHEETS

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coast Region

Project Site: Parcel 502190-0045 City/County: Mercer Island/ Sampling Date: 9-6-23
Applicant/Owner: Davis State: WA Sampling Point: DP#1
Investigator(s): John Altmann, Dain Altmann Section, Township, Range: S7,T24N<R5E
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): flat Local relief (concave, convex, none): concave Slope (%): ____
Subregion (LRR): A Lat: 47.57794 Long: -122.22439 Datum: ____
Soil Map Unit Name: AmC NWI classification: ____
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes ☒ No ☐ (If no, explain in Remarks.)
Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, significantly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes ☒ No ☐
Are Vegetation ☐, Soil ☐, or Hydrology ☐, naturally problematic? (If needed, explain any answers in Remarks.)

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling point locations, transects, important features, etc.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present?	Yes ☐	No ☒	**Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?**	**Yes** ☐	**No** ☒
Hydric Soil Present?	Yes ☐	No ☒			
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes ☐	No ☒			

Remarks: Upland plot, see map for location.

VEGETATION – Use scientific names of plants

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 10)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Indicator Status
1. *Betula pendula*	100	yes	FACU
2. *Thuja plicata*	20	no	FAC
3. *Ilex aquifolium*	20	no	FACU
4. ____	____	____	____
50% = 70, 20% = 28	140	= Total Cover	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: ____)			
1. ____	____	____	____
2. ____	____	____	____
3. ____	____	____	____
4. ____	____	____	____
5. ____	____	____	____
50% = ____, 20% = ____	____	= Total Cover	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10)			
1. *Poa pratensis*	50	yes	FAC
2. *Lapsana communis*	20	yes	FACU
3. *Hypochaeris radicata*	5	no	FACU
4. ____	____	____	____
5. ____	____	____	____
6. ____	____	____	____
7. ____	____	____	____
8. ____	____	____	____
9. ____	____	____	____
10. ____	____	____	____
11. ____	____	____	____
50% = 37.5, 20% = 15	75	= Total Cover	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: ____)			
1. ____	____	____	____
2. ____	____	____	____
50% = ____, 20% = ____	____	= Total Cover	

% Bare Ground in Herb Stratum ____

Dominance Test Worksheet:

Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	1	(A)
Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata:	3	(B)
Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	33	(A/B)

Prevalence Index worksheet:

Total % Cover of:		Multiply by:	
OBL species	____	x1 =	____
FACW species	____	x2 =	____
FAC species	____	x3 =	____
FACU species	____	x4 =	____
UPL species	____	x5 =	____
Column Totals:	____ (A)		____ (B)

Prevalence Index = B/A = ____

Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:

- ☐ 1 – Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
- ☐ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
- ☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0[1]
- ☐ 4 - Morphological Adaptations[1] (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
- ☐ 5 - Wetland Non-Vascular Plants[1]
- ☐ Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation[1] (Explain)

[1]Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☒

Remarks:

Project Site: Parcel 502190-0045

SOIL

Sampling Point: DP#1

Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)

Depth	Matrix		Redox Features					
(inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type[1]	Loc[2]	Texture	Remarks
0-16	10YR4/3	100					sandy loam	

[1]Type: C= Concentration, D=Depletion, RM=Reduced Matrix, CS=Covered or Coated Sand Grains. [2]Location: PL=Pore Lining, M=Matrix

Hydric Soil Indicators: (Applicable to all LRRs, unless otherwise noted.)

- ☐ Histosol (A1)
- ☐ Histic Epipedon (A2)
- ☐ Black Histic (A3)
- ☐ Hydrogen Sulfide (A4)
- ☐ Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11)
- ☐ Thick Dark Surface (A12)
- ☐ Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1)
- ☐ Sandy Gleyed Matrix (S4)
- ☐ Sandy Redox (S5)
- ☐ Stripped Matrix (S6)
- ☐ Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) **(except MLRA 1)**
- ☐ Loamy Gleyed Matrix (F2)
- ☐ Depleted Matrix (F3)
- ☐ Redox Dark Surface (F6)
- ☐ Depleted Dark Surface (F7)
- ☐ Redox Depressions (F8)

Indicators for Problematic Hydric Soils[3]:

- ☐ 2 cm Muck (A10)
- ☐ Red Parent Material (TF2)
- ☐ Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

[3]Indicators of hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.

Restrictive Layer (if present):

Type:

Depth (inches):

Hydric Soils Present? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☒

Remarks: no redoximrophic features

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:

Primary Indicators (minimum of one required; check all that apply)

- ☐ Surface Water (A1)
- ☐ High Water Table (A2)
- ☐ Saturation (A3)
- ☐ Water Marks (B1)
- ☐ Sediment Deposits (B2)
- ☐ Drift Deposits (B3)
- ☐ Algal Mat or Crust (B4)
- ☐ Iron Deposits (B5)
- ☐ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
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- ☐ Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)
- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) **(except MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)**
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- ☐ Stunted or Stresses Plants (D1) **(LRR A)**
- ☐ Other (Explain in Remarks)

Secondary Indicators (2 or more required)

- ☐ Water-Stained Leaves (B9) **(MLRA 1, 2, 4A, and 4B)**
- ☐ Drainage Patterns (B10)
- ☐ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
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- ☐ Geomorphic Position (D2)
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- ☐ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
- ☐ Raised Ant Mounds (D6) **(LRR A)**
- ☐ Frost-Heave Hummocks (D7)

Field Observations:

Surface Water Present?	Yes	☐	No	☒	Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present?	Yes	☐	No	☒	Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? (includes capillary fringe)	Yes	☐	No	☒	Depth (inches):	

Wetland Hydrology Present? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☒

Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available:

Remarks: dry

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Project Site: Parcel 502190-0045 City/County: Mercer Island/ Sampling Date: 9-6-23
Applicant/Owner: Davis State: WA Sampling Point: DP#2
Investigator(s): John Altmann, Dain Altmann Section, Township, Range: S7,T24N<R5E
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1. *Rhododendron Sp.*	100	yes	NL (UPL)
2. ____			
3. ____			
4. ____			
5. ____			
50% = 50, 20% = 20	100	= Total Cover	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 10)			
1. *Polystichum munitum*	2	yes	FACU
2. ____			
3. ____			
4. ____			
5. ____			
6. ____			
7. ____			
8. ____			
9. ____			
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