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**CFBSI** DESIGN BUILD  
GENERAL CONTRACTOR  
**CEDAR FALLS BUILDING**  
SYSTEMS, INC

## Transmittal

**To:** Buffalo County Zoning  
407 Second Street  
PO Box 492  
Alma, WI 54610-0492

**From:** Tom Hubbard

**Proj.** John & Patricia Starkey  
CUP Application for Frac Sand  
Drying Facility

**Date:** 3/16/12

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| <input type="checkbox"/> As requested                         | <input type="checkbox"/> For your information               |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For review and comment    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For your approval       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as submitted                | <input type="checkbox"/> Approved as noted                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Returned for corrections             | <input type="checkbox"/> Resubmit _____ copies for approval |
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Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please find enclosed 4 copies of the Conditional Use Permit Application, including the Preliminary Wetland Delineation for a Frac Sand Drying Facility on the Starkey property on Kamrowski Road in Sections 23 and 26, T. 22 N., R.12 W. for review and approval.

**Starkey, John & Patricia, CUP #2012-14**

NMM - Frac Sand Drying Facility: Application includes parcel #s 022-00343-0000, 022-00357-0000, 022-00339-0000, 022-00342-0000, 022-00346-0000 in Section 23. Total acreage in Section 23: 146.89 acres. Application also includes parcel #s 022-00419-0000, 022-00420-0000, 022-00424-0000, 022-00428-0000, 022-00433-0000, 022-00430-0000 in Section 26. Total acreage in Section 26: 176.84 acres.

John + Patricia Starkey  
CUP 2012-14 (Frac Sand-Dry)

- 1) NW/NE S26, T20N, R12W  
✓022-00419-0000 40 acres
- 2) SW/NE S26 T20N, R12W  
✓022-00420-0000 38.7 acres
- 3) NE/NW S26 T20N, R12W  
✓022-00424-0000 35 acres
- 4) NW/NW S26, T20N, R12W  
✓022-00428-0000 8.00 acres
- 5) SE/NW S26 T20N R12W  
✓022-00433-0000 37 acres
- 6) SW/NW S26, T20N, 12W  
022-00430-0000 19.94 Acres
- 7) Total 176.84 Ac.

John + Patricia Starkey  
CUP 2012-14 (Frac Sand Drying)

1) SW/SE S23 T20N R12W

✓ 022-00357-0000 10 acres

2) NE/SW S23, T20N R12W

✓ 022-00339-0000 25.89 ac

3) NW/SW S23, T20N R12W

✓ 022-00342-0000 40 acres

4) SE/SW S23, T20N 12W

✓ 022-00346-0000 40 acres

5) SW/SW S23, T20N R12W

\* 022-00343-0000 31 acres

6)

Total 146.89

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5455 Freitag Drive Menomonie, WI 54751

705 Bay Street, Suite 2H, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

## APPLICATION FOR CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

Buffalo County, Wisconsin

For

John & Patricia Starkey

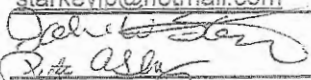
March 13, 2012

# Application for a Conditional Use Permit

Date: 3/13/2012

Issue # 2012-14

The undersigned applies for a conditional use permit to do work herein described and located as shown on the plot plan. The undersigned agrees that all work will be done in accordance with the Buffalo County Zoning Ordinance and all other applicable ordinances of the County of Buffalo and all laws of the State of Wisconsin, applicable to said premises and with the information herein:

Owner John & Patricia Starkey  
 Address 143 West Slatestone Circle  
 City, St, Zip The Woodlands, TX 77382  
 Phone # 214-419-1188  
 Email starkeyjp@hotmail.com  
 Signature 

Agent Cedar Falls Building Systems, Inc.  
 Address 705 Bay St., Suite 2H  
 City, St, Zip Chippewa Falls, WI 54729  
 Phone # 715-723-5511  
 Email tomh@cfbsi.com  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description: (May be found on your real estate tax statement)

See attached Plat Book pages

1/4 1/4 Section 23 & 26 Town 20 N Range 12 W  
 Town of Milton Parcel # \_\_\_\_\_

Location: State Rd: \_\_\_\_\_ County Rd: \_\_\_\_\_ Town Rd: Kamrowski Road  
 Lot #: \_\_\_\_\_ Block: \_\_\_\_\_ Subdivision \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lot Size: 325 Acres Is lot being split or subdivided? No

Proposed project and/or use: Industrial - Frac Sand Dry Plant

Use of adjoining property and other details: Agricultural

Dimension: Length: 120' Width: 65' Height: 90' Square Ft: 7,200 Dry Plant

Setbacks for project: If any distances are greater than 150', indicate as >150'

Highway Right of Way	> 150	feet	Highway Centerline	>150	feet
Front lot line	>150	feet	Rear lot line	>150	feet
Side lot line (left)	>150	feet	Side lot line (right)	>150	feet
Septic tank	>150	feet	Drainfield	>150	feet
River	>150	feet	Stream	>150	feet
Lake	>150	feet	Wetland	>150	feet
Airport	>150	feet	Wind/Cell facility	>150	feet

Work consists of:

New Building X Addition \_\_\_\_\_ Sign \_\_\_\_\_  
 Relocation of building \_\_\_\_\_ Substantial land alteration X Modification \_\_\_\_\_

**Describe in detail the request including any potential noise, odor, dust, smoke, glare, refuse, gas, effluent, or other potential nuisance resulting from the proposed use which may impact neighboring properties:**

Frac sand mining operation including: dry plant, storm pond, truck dump facility, and conveyors. Noise impacts include truck movements and train movements. Dust will be controlled by use of dust control and collection system. There will be no smoke, glare, refuse, gas or effluent resulting from the proposed use. An air monitor will be located on site. Wetlands indicated on the WIDNR Wetlands Map have been reviewed by a wetland delineator. Additional investigation will be conducted when the soils are thawed. The entrance to the dry plant will be from Kamrowski Road. There will be up to 500 loads per day arriving at the plant, Monday thru Friday from 5:30 AM to 8:30 PM. Loads will not arrive at the plant from 7-7:40 AM on school days to avoid bus traffic. The dry plant will operate 24/7. Storm water drainage will be directed to a storm water pond. Discharge from the storm water pond will be to Waumandee Creek to the north. Attached Exhibits include: Plat Map, USGS/Satellite map of the Property, Site Plan, WIDNR Wetland Map, WIDNR Floodplain Map.

On the space below or separate sheet, sketch the location of the proposed structure or addition, and distance

Other existing buildings	<u>&gt;150'</u>	Public roads	<u>&gt;150'</u>	Bodies of water	<u>&gt;150'</u>
Existing/proposed wells	<u>&gt;150'</u>	Lot lines	<u>&gt;150'</u>	Septic systems	<u>&gt;150'</u>

Please use accurate dimensions for all existing buildings as well as proposed new construction. Failure to fully complete the application or plot plan will result in a delay in processing your application. If you have any question

1st Starkey Paul Loading - 250.<sup>00</sup>  
3:30 p.m. 3-14-2012 ck# 5046

2nd - Starkey Dry Plant. - 3500.<sup>00</sup>  
3:30 p.m. 3-14-2012 ck# 5045

3rd - Seven Sands LLC Alice & 3500.<sup>00</sup>  
Processing Plant #5044  
3:30 3-14-2012

4<sup>th</sup> - Larson, Stanton & Jansen Mill &  
Processing Plants. \* 3500.<sup>00</sup>  
# 5043

Checks Included

Thomas D. Hubbard  
Julie Kindstrom

THOMAS D.  
HUBBARD



**BUFFALO COUNTY**

Receipt #: 6925  
3/16/2012 1:33:17 PM

**Property Owner:**

JOHN & PATRICIA STARKEY  
143 W SLATESTONE CIR  
THE WOODLANDS, TX 77382

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Conditional Use

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022-00343-0000

420122333M#M&B1101

TOWN OF MILTON

**Fee**

**Amount**

Condition Use Permit-Frac Sand

3,500.00

**Total:**

3,500.00

**Check Payment (Ref. # check # 5045 by T. Hubbard):**

3,500.00

GLACIER SANDS LLC  
17730 BRECONWOOD ROAD  
WAYZATA, MN 55391

12-5-750

5045

4-4-12  
date

Pay to the order of *Buffalo County*  
*Chris Zahradka*

\$ 3500.00

dollars



Security Features  
Indicated  
Outside on Back



BMO Harris Bank N.A.

*for Starkey*

*[Signature]*

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## LeAnne Loesetz (Zoning Email)

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**From:** Roxann Halverson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2012 8:09 AM  
**To:** LeAnne Loesetz (Zoning Email)  
**Subject:** FW: Frac Permit, across from C-CF School

Not sure if you received this, but thought maybe you would like to put it in the file you have on the permit.

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**From:** Michelle Ehlenfeldt [mailto:mehlenfeldt@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2012 10:01 PM  
**To:** ecallahan@cfc.k12.wi.us; jressie@cfc.k12.wi.us; sscharlau@cfc.k12.wi.us; kknospe@cfc.k12.wi.us; ckrueger@cfc.k12.wi.us; spronschinske@cfc.k12.wi.us; swilladsen@cfc.k12.wi.us; Rep.Danou@legis.wisconsin.gov; Sen.Vinehout@legis.wisconsin.gov; Roxann Halverson; Del Twidt  
**Cc:** Winona Post  
**Subject:** Frac Permit, across from C-CF School

Buffalo County, State of WI, & C-FC School Board

My name is Michelle Ehlenfeldt. I moved to the C-FC school district 16 years ago. The beauty and all the wonderful things I heard about the school district brought my husband and I to Buffalo County from MN. We thought this would be a perfect place to raise our children. My children come before anything else. When I heard about the frac situation, I knew that the county would not lean towards the destruction of such a beautiful area that brings people from all over. Now that a permit application was submitted to Buffalo County for a frac operation across from the school I am not so certain. I oppose any type of frac operations near the school and the school bus routes. It is against what this school district has given me. I love this area and C-FC. But with my children being number one, I will look to other options. I will not allow my children in a school that allows such harm. It is against my beliefs and it tells me what is and isn't important to the county and the school district. I intended to stay here for the rest of my life. If the permit goes through for the frac operations across from the school, my four children will be schooled elsewhere. We would also look to move out of this area, back to MN. You would lose 4 children to the district and a good family. I hope you have thought long and hard about how this would destroy a wonderful school and community. It may help with short term jobs, but it will be at the cost of many small businesses that count on tourist, many health issues, road issues, our beautiful land, clean air, and deaths. My decision will be very easy to make. I know I won't hesitate to protect my family's well being. Please do not allow this frac sand operation to happen across from the school! What we have is worth so much more than money in someone else's pockets.

I also have a few questions for our congress. How do you feel that allowing a 300+ acre frac sand operation across from a school will make you look good in the eyes of supporters; because it is creating jobs? Why isn't there a law against frac operations in school and community areas? Who will be responsible and pay for health issues in all these children as they age? Who will be responsible for deaths that occur from accidents from these sand trucks? Who will be responsible to pay for road upkeep? Who will be responsible for our land values declining? Who will be responsible years from now when local businesses have closed because no one visits what used to be a beautiful community and tourist area?

Michelle Ehlenfeldt

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3/28/2012

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## LeAnne Loeselz (Zoning Email)

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**From:** Roxann Halverson  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2012 8:07 AM  
**To:** LeAnne Loeselz (Zoning Email)  
**Subject:** FW: Frac Permit, across from CFC School

Roxann M. Halverson  
Buffalo County Clerk  
407 S. 2nd St.  
P.O. Box 58  
Alma, WI 54610  
608-685-6209

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**From:** Justin and Lindsay Spitzer [mailto:spitzerfamily@centurytel.net]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2012 7:44 AM  
**To:** Michelle Ehlenfeldt; ecallahan@cfc.k12.wi.us; jressie@cfc.k12.wi.us; sscharlau@cfc.k12.wi.us; kknospe@cfc.k12.wi.us; ckrueger@cfc.k12.wi.us; spronschinske@cfc.k12.wi.us; swilladsen@cfc.k12.wi.us; Rep.Danou@legis.wisconsin.gov; Sen.Vinehout@legis.wisconsin.gov; Roxann Halverson; Del Twidt  
**Cc:** Winona Post  
**Subject:** Re: Frac Permit, across from CFC School

Hi I am Justin Spitzer and my 3 children also attend CFC School. My wife and I agree with Michelle Ehlenfeldt's statements below and are against the frac sand mine. We have already been blind sided by one sand mine a couple miles down our road which added a huge amount of truck traffic affecting safety & property value not to mention the noise & unknown health hazards. When the notices for the sand mine on County P were sent out the address listed appeared that it was to be at the other end of the road closer to Hwy 35. The county was in the process of notifying residents that fire numbers were being changed to make finding homes easier for emergency vehicles. The new fire numbers had not yet been posted, but yet the address listed on the notice was the new fire number that was to be posted a month or two later. This was extremely deceiving. Some of those in our neighborhood didn't even receive notices at all. With the permits that have already been approved it seems clear to us that the county has already placed a higher value on money than on resident's health and safety. You represent the people of the community you serve not just the few owners of these proposed mines and certainly not the mining companies. Your duty is to protect and serve the people first and foremost including the children in this area.

You are putting our children's health at risk if you approve this permit and that would be absolutely shameful. We are close enough to the Galesville, Ettrick Trempealeau school district that we too would consider removing our children from CFC if the permit goes through. I think that we are not alone in this. I think if you talk to other parents in the district there are similar concerns about health and safety. We would like our e-mail read at the county Board meeting where this issue is discussed.

Thank you,

Justin & Lindsay Spitzer  
S3562 County Rd P  
Fountain City, WI 54629

3/29/2012



**From:** Michelle Ehlenfeldt

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2012 10:01 PM

**To:** [ecallah@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:ecallah@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [jressie@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:jressie@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [sscharlau@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:sscharlau@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [kknospe@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:kknospe@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [ckrueger@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:ckrueger@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [spronschinske@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:spronschinske@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [swilladsen@cfk.k12.wi.us](mailto:swilladsen@cfk.k12.wi.us) ; [Rep.Danou@legis.wisconsin.gov](mailto:Rep.Danou@legis.wisconsin.gov) ; [Sen.Vinehout@legis.wisconsin.gov](mailto:Sen.Vinehout@legis.wisconsin.gov) ; [roxann.halverson@buffalocounty.com](mailto:roxann.halverson@buffalocounty.com) ; [del.twidt@buffalocounty.com](mailto:del.twidt@buffalocounty.com)

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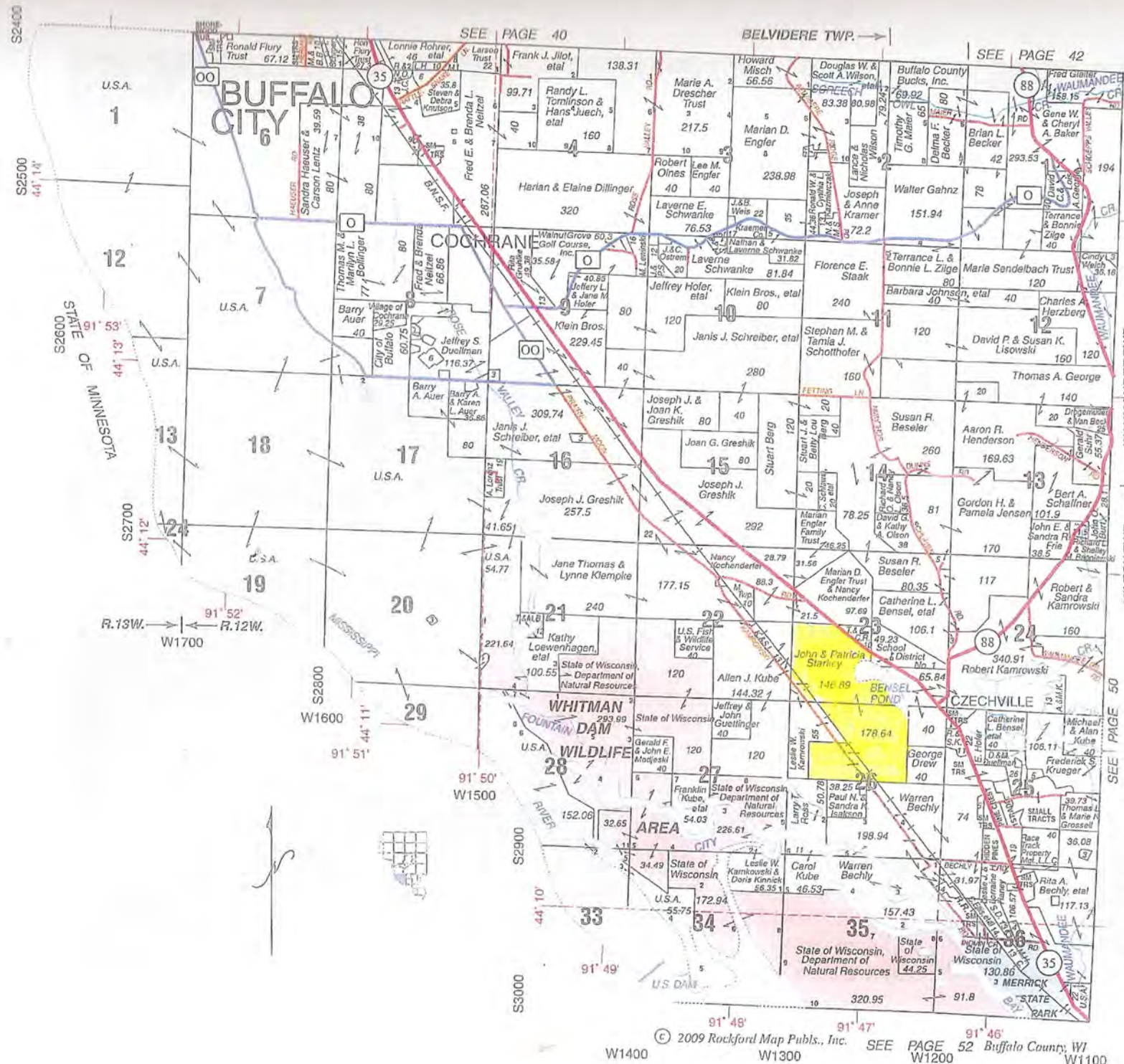
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						REF FILE: 556-002			
						JOB NUMBER: 556-002			
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							REVISION DESCRIPTION:	NAME:	DATE:



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	EXISTING 1FT CONTOURS
	APPROXIMATE PROPERTY LINE
	EXISTING TREELINE
	APPROXIMATE ORDINARY HIGH WATER MARK (O.H.W.M.)
	APPROXIMATE WETLAND BOUNDARY
	EXISTING RAIL ROAD
	PROPOSED RAIL ROAD
3	- DENOTES DEFINITE WETLAND AREA
2	- DENOTES LIKELY WETLAND AREA
1	- DENOTES POTENTIAL WETLAND AREA
	POTENTIAL HYDRIC SOILS AREA

NOTE:  
 1. POTENTIAL HYDRIC SOILS IDENTIFIED ON THE WISCONSIN DNR SURFACE WATER DATA VIEWER MAP THAT ARE WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA ARE OUTLINED PINK. THESE AREAS HAVE A SLIGHT POTENTIAL TO BE WETLANDS AND SHOULD BE CONFIRMED DURING A DELINEATION.



SECTION  
23

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APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY

BENSEL POND

APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY

SECTION  
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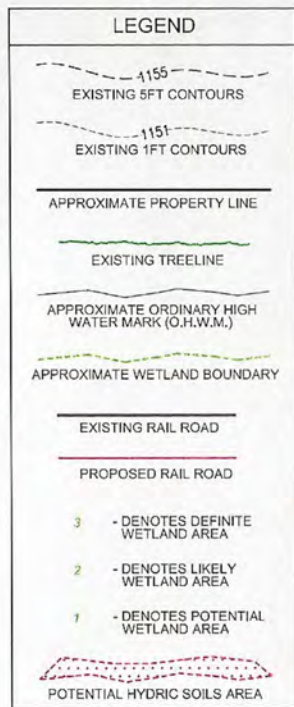
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PROJECT: <b>DRY PLANT &amp; LOADING FACILITY</b>		 <b>CFBSI</b> PROGRAM GENERAL CONTRACTOR <b>CEDAR FALLS BUILDING SYSTEMS, INC.</b> 1000 Cedar Falls Road Cedar Falls, IA 52401 Phone: 319-266-1111 Fax: 319-266-1112 Email: info@cfbsi.com		DRAWN BY: KLJ/ZPF CHECKED BY: KLJ DATE: 03/12/12 DWG FILE: 556-psite REF FILE: 556-002 JOB NUMBER: 556-002	REVISION NO. DESCRIPTION 03/16/12 ZPF 03/12/12 KLJ DATE:
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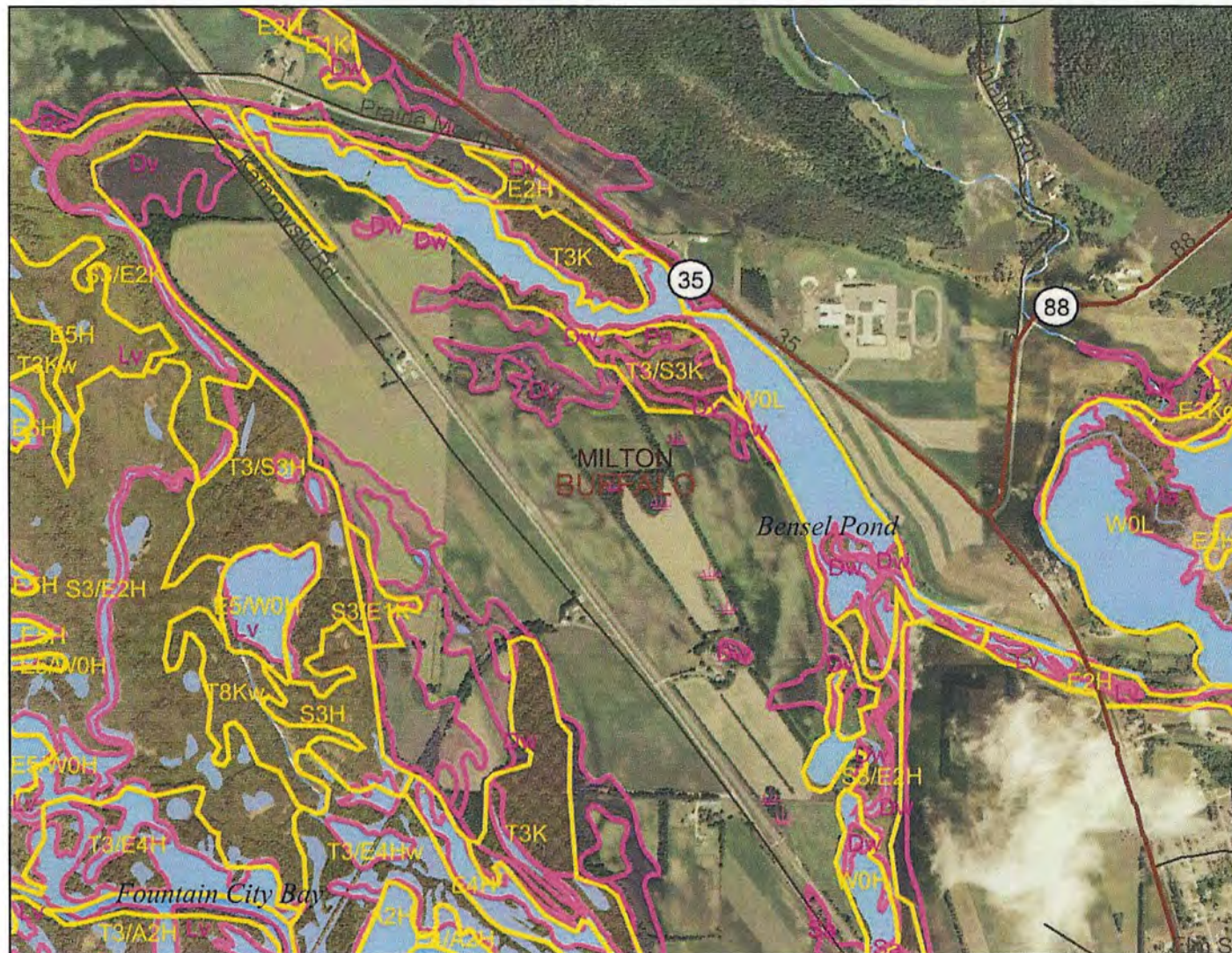




SECTION  
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**Map Created on Mar 09, 2012**



### Legend

- Major Highways
  -  Interstate
  -  State Highway
  -  U.S. Highways
  -  County Roads
  -  Local Roads
-  24K County Boundaries
- Civil Towns
-  Civil Town
-  USDA Wetspots
- DNR Wetland Points
  -  Excavated Pond
  -  Dammed Pond
  -  Wetland Too Small to Delineate
  -  Filled Excavated Pond
  -  Filled Dammed Pond
  -  Filled Wetland Too Small to Delineate
  -  Filled or Drained Wetland
- DNR Wetland Areas
  -  Upland
  -  Wetland
  -  Filled or Drained Wetland
  -  Wetland Indicator Soils
  -  24K Open Water
- 24K Rivers and Shorelines
  -  Intermittent
  -  Fluctuating
  -  Perennial
- Cities and Villages
  -  Village
  -  City



Scale: 1:18,986

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Map created on Mar 9, 2012

Wisconsin Wetland Inventory (WWI) maps are graphic representations of the type, size and location of wetlands in Wisconsin. They have been prepared from the analysis of high altitude imagery in conjunction with soil surveys, topographic maps, previous wetland inventories and field work. State statutes require that a wetland be at least one foot above the land surface to be eligible for mapping under the WWI. This means that the WWI is not a product of aerial photography and is not a graphic representation of the type and location of wetlands in Wisconsin. Within this context, the objective of the WWI is to produce reconnaissance level information on the location, type, and size of these habitats such that they are accurate to the nominal scale of the 1:24,000 (1 inch = 2000 feet) base map. The DNR recognizes the limitations of using remotely sensed information as the primary data source. They are to be used as a guide for planning purposes. There is no attempt, in either the design or products of this inventory, to define the limits of jurisdiction of any Federal, State, or local agency or to establish the geographical scope of the regulatory programs of government agencies. Persons intending to engage in activities involving modifications within or adjacent to wetland areas should seek the advice of appropriate Federal, State, or local agencies concerning specified agency regulatory programs and jurisdictions that may affect such activities. The most accurate method of determining the legal extent of a wetland for federal or state regulations is a field delineation of the wetland boundary by a professional trained in wetland delineation techniques.

Notes: Wetlands &amp; Wetland Soils Indicators



Map Created on Mar 09, 2012



### Legend

- Dams
- Analysis Points
- Flood Insurance Study
- Letter of Map Revision
- Case By Case Analysis
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- Digital Flood Boundaries
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Notes: Floodplain



March 16, 2012

Auth Consulting & Associates  
Attn: Matt Hieb  
2920 Enloe Street; Suite 101  
Hudson, WI 54016

RE: Preliminary Wetland Assessment

Dear Mr. Hieb;

On February 22, 2012 a preliminary wetland assessment was completed at the request of Auth Consulting & Associates. The assessment included approximately 200 acres in the Town of Milton, in Sections 23 and 26, Township 20 N, Range 12W, Buffalo County. The approximate extent of the assessment area is outlined in Red on the aerial photograph below. This letter and attachments summarize the results of the assessment.



The photo above is from 2008 and was generated through the WI DNR Surface Water Data Viewer (<http://dnrmaps.wi.gov/imf/imf.jsp?site=SurfaceWaterViewer>).



## Off-Site Research

Prior to completing the on-site assessment, information was collected off-site through review of documents and maps to identify potential wetland areas that are located on site.

### Topography

The topographic map of the project area was downloaded from <http://dnrm.wisconsin.gov/imf/imf.jsp?site=SurfaceWaterViewer>. The topographic map is included as Attachment B.

### Wisconsin Wetland Inventory Map (WWIM)

The WWIM was reviewed to identify any wetlands previously mapped by the WI Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Planning. The wetland map is included as Attachment C. The wetland inventory map was downloaded from <http://dnrm.wisconsin.gov/imf/imf.jsp?site=SurfaceWaterViewer>. Mapped wetlands are highlighted in yellow and potential hydric soils "Wetland Indicator Soils" are highlighted in pink.

### Soils Map

The USDA-NRCS soil map and hydric ratings have been downloaded from <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov/app>. A copy of the downloaded information is included as Attachment D. During the site visit, all areas identified as wetland indicator soil did not appear to be wetlands. Those areas that appeared to be wetlands are highlighted in green on the map included as attachment A. Those wetland indicator soils not highlighted in green have a slight potential to be wetland and should be observed during any future wetland delineations completed. (Note: Duelsm soils (Dv) are not listed as partially hydric on the NRCS soil map. They are however listed as a wetland indicator soil on the the Wisconsin DNR Surface Water Data Viewer map.)

## ON SITE ASSESSMENT RESULTS

A wetland assessment was completed on February 22, 2012. Since the assessment was completed outside of the growing season and the soils were frozen at the time of the assessment, wetland boundaries could not be delineated. There was very little snow at the time of the assessment so many plants could still be observed and many hydrology features could also be observed. Characteristics such as vegetation, evidence of ponding, and topographic position were used to assign a wetland probability rating (WPR) from 1 to 3. The WPR is given right after the location heading and on the map included as Attachment A.

### Wetland Probability Rating (WPR)

- 1 = potentially a wetland
- 2 = likely a wetland
- 3 = definitely a wetland

### Abbreviations

- OBL = Obligate Wetland- Species that occurs in a wetland 66-99% of the time
- FACW = Facultative Wetland - Species that occurs in a wetland 66-99% of the time
- FAC = Facultative - Species that occurs in a wetland 33-66% of the time
- FACU = Facultative Upland - Species that occurs in a wetland 1-33% of the time
- UPL = Obligate Upland - Species that occurs in a wetland 0-1% of the time

Areas observed and their characteristics are summarized below.

**Potential Hydric Soils** – Potential hydric soils that are in the project area and are not included totally in one of the areas listed below, are highlighted in pink on the map included as Attachment A. No wetland indicators were observed in the pink areas, unless highlighted in green. These pink areas should still be confirmed during any future wetland delineations if wetland impacts are proposed in these areas.



### **Area A – WPR-1**

- Identified as a USDA wetspot on the soil survey map.
- This area is a small depression with no outlet.
- The area is wooded with sparse areas of reed canary grass (FACW species).

### **Area B – WPR-2**

- The soil is identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- The soil at the far western edge was hydric. The soil was frozen but could be observed because it had been plowed last fall.
- This area is part of a natural drainage way. Precipitation received in the field runs off through this low area before entering the wetland.
- The primary vegetation was goldenrod within the areas that had not been plowed. I could not determine in the species were canada goldenrod (FACU) or giant goldenrod (FACW).
- There were 5 to 10 foot diameter pockets of reed canary grass monocultures. Reed Canary grass is a FACW species and commonly observed in disturbed wetlands.



### **Area C – WPR-1**

- The soil is identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area is part of a natural drainage way and therefore has a slight possibility to be a wetland.

### **Area D – WPR-2**

- The soil is identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map and on the NRCS Soil Survey Map.
- There were a few sedges that could be identified at the time of the assessment, however the area had been mowed during the 2011 growing season so the vegetation had been significantly disturbed.



The photo above shows Area D in the front and Area E in the background behind the phone pole.



### Area E – WPR-1 to 3 (see map)

- Two wet spots are identified on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- There are many species of hydrophytic vegetation that could be identified during the preliminary assessment. The vegetation identified included sedges, willows, red osier dogwood, sensitive fern, and reed canary grass.



The photo above shows the north half of Area E and the photo below shows the south half.



### Area F – WPR-2

- A wet spot is identified on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area appears to be a closed depression.
- There are water stained leaves present indicating this area has experienced ponding.
- There are uprooted trees within the center of the basin while there are not any outside of the depression. This indicates that the area could have been saturated to the surface during a wind storm and therefore the trees were more susceptible to being uprooted.
- There are deep depressions of deer tracks in the soil indicating it was very wet at one time.





## Area G – WPR-2

- A wet spot is identified on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area appears to be a closed depression.
- There are water stained leaves present indicating this area has experienced ponding.
- There are uprooted trees within the center of the basin while there are not any outside of the depression. This indicates that the area could have been saturated to the surface during a wind storm and therefore the trees were more susceptible to being uprooted.
- There are deep depressions of deer tracks and tire ruts in the soil indicating it was very wet at one time.
- There are species of hydrophytic vegetation that could be identified during the preliminary assessment. The vegetation identified included silver maple and river birch.



## Area H – WPR-1 & 3

- This area is identified as a wetland on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- The area was dominated by hydrophytic vegetation just outside of the previously farmed area.
- The area identified as potential wetland or 1 on the map has not been farmed for a few years. It is unknown if that is due to temporarily wet conditions or if it is just a buffer strip that was left in place.

## Area I – WPR-2

- A portion of this area was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map and on the NRCS Soil Survey Map.
- The area appears sparsely vegetated on the Fall 2011 aerial photos (see Attachment A).
- The forested portion of the area is dominated by hydrophytic species including silver maple, box elder and river birch.







### Area J – WPR-1

- A portion of this area is identified as a wetland on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- The surface soils were very dark in this area. It is likely that the wetland is at or inside the treeline, but this area should be checked out.



### Area K – WPR-1 to 2

- This area is identified as a wetspot on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area is a small closed depression in the middle of the field.





### **Area L – WPR-3**

- The soil was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area is identified as a wet spot on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- Soybeans were planted here last year, but did not grow.
- There are tire ruts through this area indicating that it was wet at the time it was planted or harvested.



### **Area M – WPR-3**

- The soil was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- This area is in the middle of the field and was not planted last year, assumedly because it was too wet.
- Cattails (OBL species) are present in this area.



### **Area N – WPR-2 to 3**

- This area is identified as a wetland on the Wisconsin Wetland Inventory Map.
- There was ponding observed just outside the forested area.



### **Area O – WPR-2 to 3**

- The soil was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map and on the NRCS Soil Survey Map.
- The area was vegetated primarily by river birch (shrubs) and reed canary grass.



### **Area P – WPR-2 to 3**

- The soil was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- Forested areas are dominated by river birch and open areas were vegetated with cattails and sedges. Both of which are hydrophytic plant species.





### Area Q – WPR-2 to 3

- The soil was identified as a wetland indicator soil on the DNR Surface Water Viewer map.
- The area was dominated by hydrophytic species including hummock sedge, reed canary grass, dogwoods, and willows.



### CONCLUSION

Through this preliminary assessment, approximate locations of potential wetlands on site have been identified. A map of the approximate locations of potential wetlands has been included as Attachment A. All areas identified in green and pink on the map in Attachment A should be evaluated during the growing season to delineate any wetlands that may be present.

The assessment completed is not a delineation as it did not use prescribed methods for wetland boundary determination and was completed outside of the growing season. If you have any questions regarding the assessment please feel free to contact me at 1-715-796-5664.

Sincerely,  
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Professional Soil Scientist

Enclosure

APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY

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APPROXIMATE PROPERTY LINE

EXISTING RAIL ROAD

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WATER MARK (O.H.W.M.)

APPROXIMATE WETLAND BOUNDARY

- DENOTES DEFINITE  
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WETLAND AREA

POTENTIAL HYDRIC SOILS AREA

## NOTE:

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OUTLINED PINK. THESE AREAS HAVE A SLIGHT POTENTIAL TO BE  
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BENSEL POND

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WETLAND

## POTENTIAL WETLAND LOCATIONS

BUFFALO COUNTY, WISCONSIN

POTENTIAL WETLAND LOCATIONS

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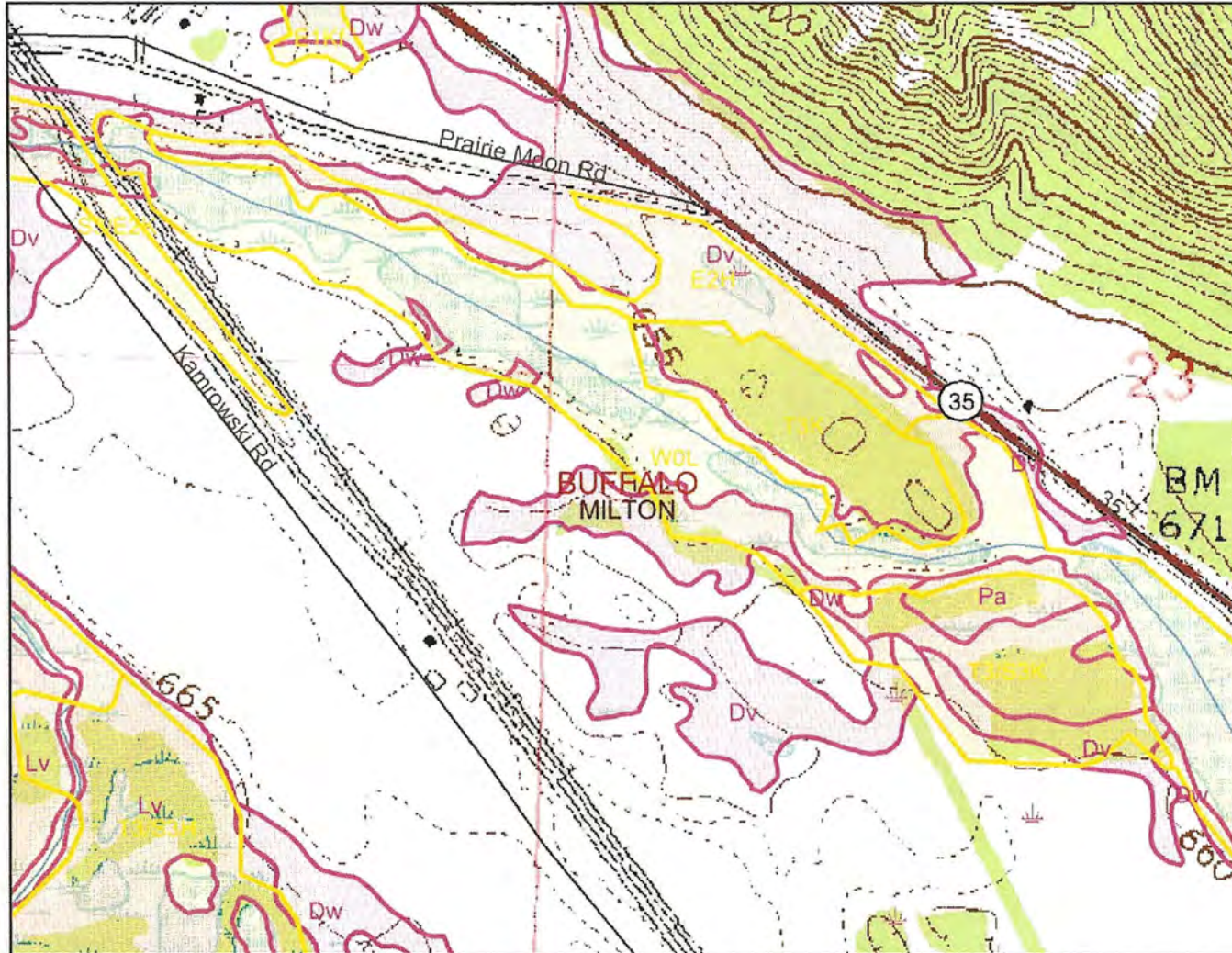
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### Legend

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#### Civil Towns

- Civil Town

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- Village
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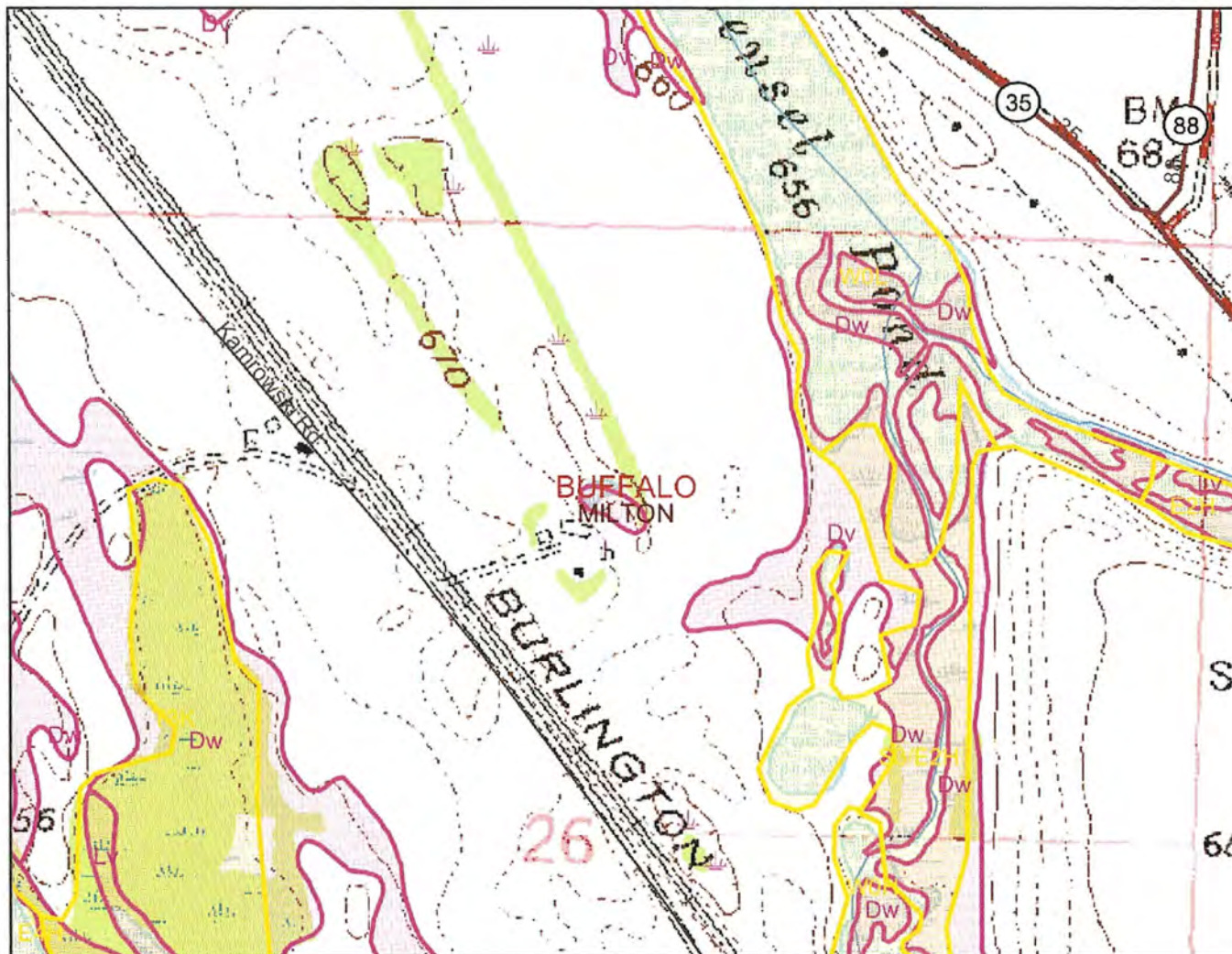
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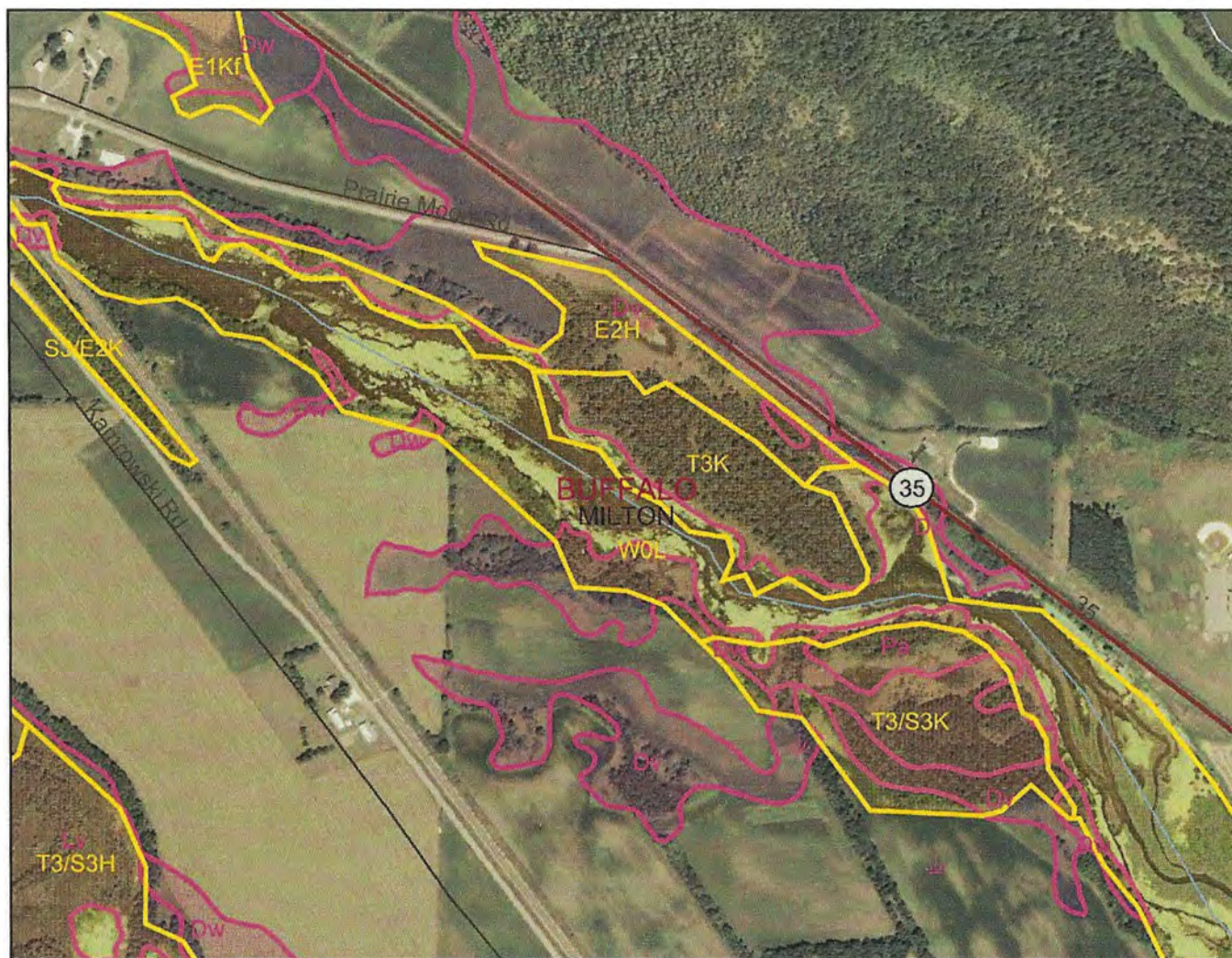
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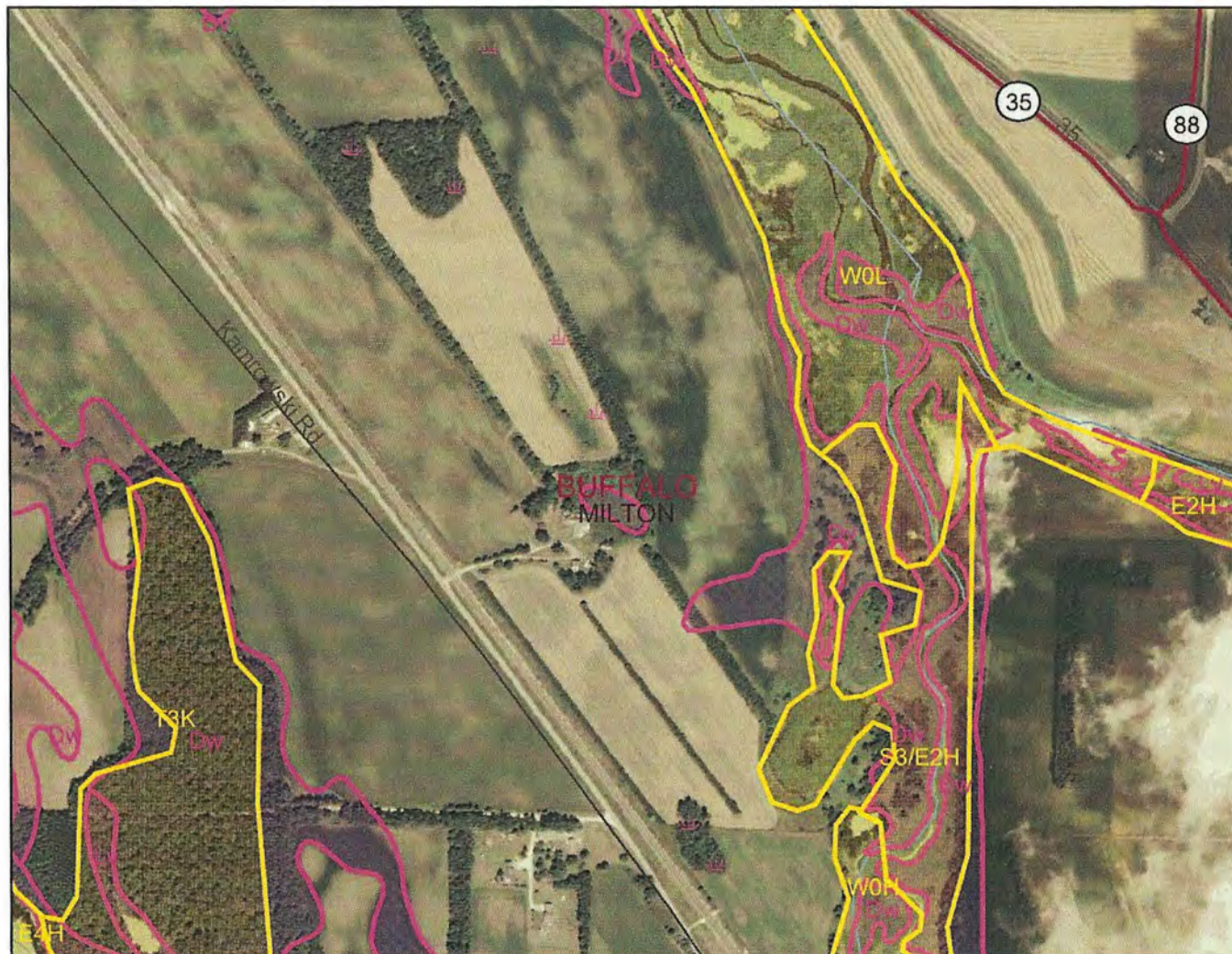
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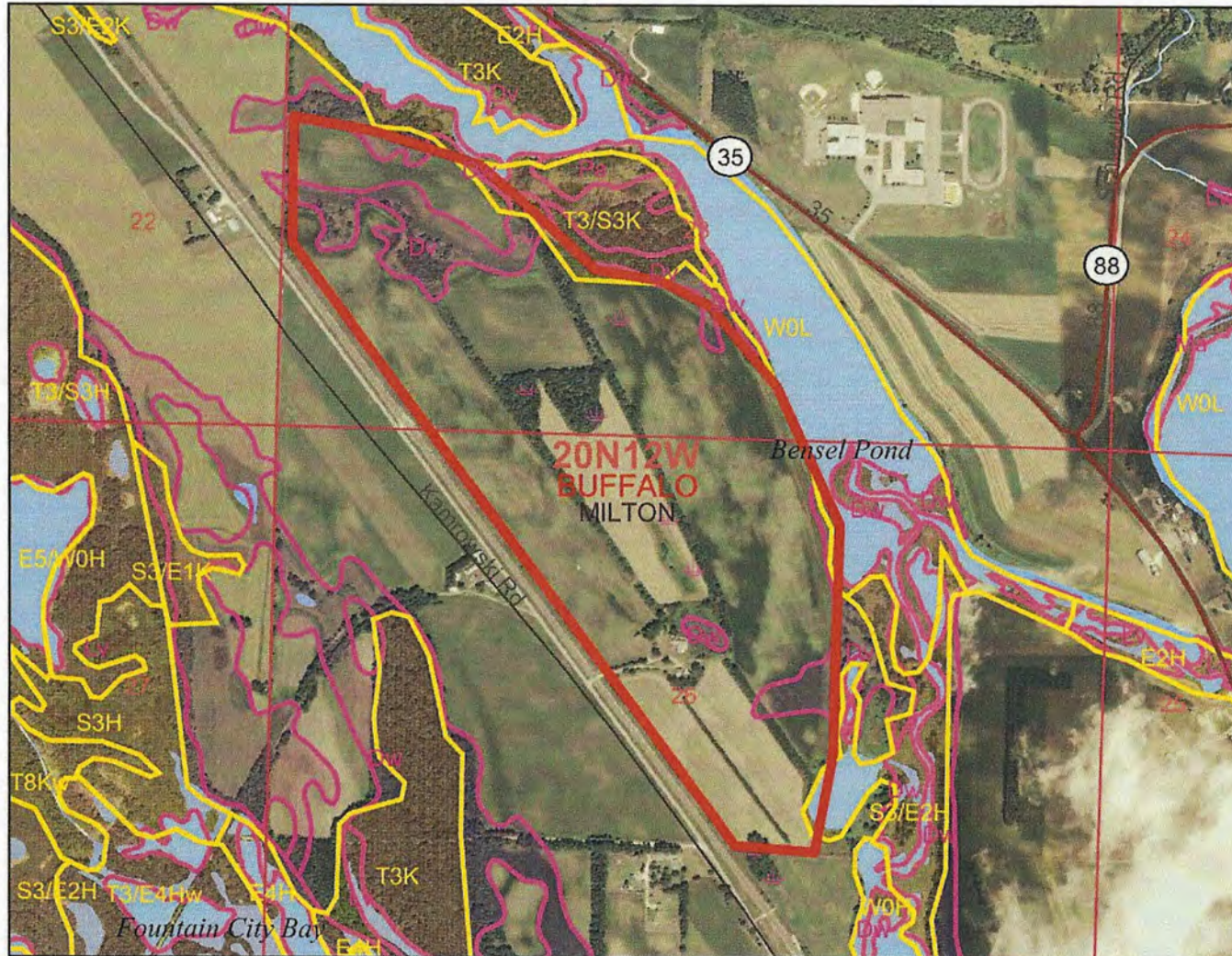
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