

# Water Resources Delineation Report

# 37.7 Acres, KaneSolar02, Lincoln Highway, Kane County, Illinois

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## **Executive Summary**

The 37.7-acre study area is located south of Lincoln Highway and west of Meredith Road in Kane County, Illinois within Section 3, Township 39 North, Range 6 East. A water resources delineation was performed by Catherine Holland and Kelly Volansky on December 6th, 2022.

The study area encompasses approximately 37.7 acres of agricultural land. The study area consists of an agricultural field.

A map of the location and size of the property is shown in Appendix A. No water resources were identified within the study area.

## Introduction

## Study Area Description and Location

The 37.7-acre study area is located in Virgil Township, Kane County, Illinois (Appendix B). The area is located west of the intersection of Lincoln Highway and Meredith Road.

The study area contains an agricultural field. An aerial photograph of the study area is included in Appendix D. Surrounding land use is predominantly occupied by agricultural fields.

### Secondary Source Information

The study area is shown on the Maple Park Quadrangle of the United States Geological Survey (USGS) map (Appendix E). The study area is between 880 and 855 feet above sea level.

A National Wetlands Inventory (NWI) map showing nearby NWI wetlands is located in Appendix F.

A map from the United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey showing the soil types located on and adjacent to the site is found in Appendix G. The *Hydric Soils of the United States* (1991) was reviewed to determine potential hydric soils identified within the study area. Table 1 provides a list of soil types mapped for the site.

Map Unit	Soil Description	Hydric Determination <sup>1</sup>			
60D2	La Rose loam, 10 to 18 percent slopes	Non-hydric			
152A	Drummer silty clay loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Hydric			
198A	Elburn silt loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Predominantly Non- hydric			
527C2	Kidami loam, 4 to 6 percent slopes	Non-hydric			
656C2	Octagon silt loam, 4 to 6 percent slopes	Non-hydric			
662B	Barony silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	Non-hydric			
667B	Kaneville silt loam, 2 to 5 percent slopes	Non-hydric			
<sup>1</sup> As determined by The Hydric Soils of the United States (1991).					

#### Table 1. Soil Types Mapped for the Site

## Methodology

The Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual (Environmental Laboratory 1987) and Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Midwest Region (US Army Corps of Engineers 2012) were used in delineating wetlands within the study area. Water resources were delineated and surveyed on December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The water resources delineation fieldwork, boundary mapping, and data analysis were performed by Catherine Holland and Kelly Volansky. Vegetation, soils, and wetlands maps were prepared using using ArcGIS<sup>™</sup> PRO v.2.8.3. Photopoints, data points, stream lines, and wetland areas were mapped and collected using a Trimble<sup>®</sup> GNSS R1 device.

Streams are identified as linear, flowing water features with a defined bed and bank. Streams are classified as ephemeral, intermittent, or perennial based upon flow regime. Ephemeral streams have flowing water only during, and for a short duration after, precipitation events. Intermittent

streams have flowing water during certain times of the year, when groundwater and rainfall provide water for stream flow. During dry periods intermittent streams may not have flowing water. Perennial streams have flowing water year-round, receiving water from groundwater and rainfall runoff.

Wetlands are identified based on three criteria: vegetation, soils, and hydrology. An area must meet all three criteria to be considered a jurisdictional wetland. Sampling points were established in the field to determine wetlands boundaries. Data sheets reporting the results of soils, vegetation, and hydrology analyses were completed for each sample station and are located in Appendix K.

Soil samples were obtained to determine the extent of hydric soils on the site. A standard Munsell soil color chart was used to determine the hue, value, and chroma of each soil sample. Soil samples were taken to a depth to adequately make a hydric soil determination. Criteria established by the National Technical Committee for Hydric Soils (1991) were used to determine hydric soils.

Wetland hydrology was characterized during this water resources delineation. Inundation and/or soil saturation were noted for each sample point. Other hydrological indicators, including watermarks, drift lines, sediment deposits, wetlands drainage patterns, blackened leaves, morphological indicators, iron/manganese concretions, and oxidized root zones within the upper soil layers, were documented, if observed.

Quantitative vegetation data were collected at each sampling point. Dominance was estimated by percent areal cover. Four strata were considered for each sample point—trees, saplings/shrubs, herbs, and woody vines. Trees were defined as any woody plant having a diameter at breast height (DBH) greater than 3.0 inches. Saplings and shrubs were those woody plants with a DBH of less than 3.0 inches and greater than 3.2 feet in height. For each stratum, plant species within a plot were identified and percent areal cover was estimated for each species. Thirty-foot-radius plots were used for trees and vines; 15-foot-radius plots were used for saplings and shrubs; and 5-foot-radius plots were used for herbs.

Any species within a stratum comprising 20% or more of the total plot areal cover was considered to be dominant. Dominant species within all strata were then added to determine the percentage of wetlands vegetation for each sample point. The wetlands vegetation criterion was met if greater than 50% of the dominant vegetation was indicative of wetlands conditions.

Plants with an indicator status of obligate (OBL), facultative wetland (FACW), or facultative (FAC) were considered to be indicative of wetlands conditions. Plants with an indicator status of facultative upland (FACU) or upland (UPL) were considered to be indicative of upland conditions. Plants that could only be identified to genus were sometimes assigned an indicator status based on the professional judgment of Davey Resource Group. These plants were classified as wetlands indicator species (WIS) or upland indicator species (UIS). See Appendix K for a more detailed explanation of wetlands vegetation indicator statuses.

Wetlands that are hydrologically connected to traditional navigable waters of the United States are considered non-isolated and fall under the federal jurisdiction of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).

## **Results**

### WETLANDS

#### Vegetation

The site contains an agricultural field with hills and valleys. No wetlands were identified during the 2022 site visit. Only one of the 4 data points (DP3) taken met the hydric vegetation criteria. Photograph locations are shown in Appendix A. Photographs showing water resources identified on the site are included in Appendix I. Wetland assessment data forms are included in Appendix K.

#### Soils

None of the data points taken contained hydric soils.

#### Hydrology

Hydrology present in the study area derives primarily from overland flow. The emergent wetlands coincide with depressions pooling water within agricultural fields. No primary hydrologic indicators were identified on site. No hydrologic indicators were observed in the vicinity of the wetland determination data points.

## Conclusions

Four data points were taken during the December  $6^{th}$ , 2022 site visit. No wetlands were encountered within the study area.

DRG is confident that all jurisdictional wetlands and drainageways were identified on this site. All water resource studies conducted by Davey Resource Group are objective and based strictly on professional judgment. Davey Resource Group and its employees have no vested interest in this property or the proposed project. Appendix L contains references used in the creation of this report.

All wetlands delineations must be verified by the US Army Corps of Engineers to be considered official. This wetlands delineation is reflective of environmental conditions at the time the fieldwork was performed. Wetlands are dynamic natural systems; therefore, boundaries may change slightly over time.

## Appendix A: Mapped Water Resources



## Appendix B: Location of Project Area on Illinois County Map



## Appendix C: Location of Study Area on Highway Map



## Appendix D: Location of Study Area on Highway Map



## Appendix E: Location of Study Area on USGS 7.5 Minute Topographic Map



## Appendix F: Location of Study Area on National Wetland Inventory Map



## Appendix G: Location of Study Area on Soil Survey Map



Appendix H National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette

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#### Legend



Basemap: USGS National Map: Orthoimagery: Data refreshed October, 2020

## Appendix I Site Photographs (12-06-2022)



DP01, View looking north



DP01, View looking east



DP01, View looking south



DP01, View looking west



DP02, View looking north



DP02, View looking east



DP02, View looking south



DP02, View looking west



DP03, View looking north



DP03, View looking east



DP03, View looking south



DP03, View looking west



DP04, View looking north



DP04, View looking east



DP04, View looking south



DP04, View looking west



PP01, View looking east



PP01, View looking south



PP01, View looking west



PP02, View looking north



PP02, View looking east



PP02, View looking south



PP02, View looking west



PP03, View looking north



PP03, View looking east



PP03, View looking south



PP03, View looking west

## Appendix J

# Definition of Wetlands Vegetation Indicator Status (from Lichvar et al 2016)

Obligate Wetlands (OBL). Almost always is a hydrophyte, rarely in uplands.

Facultative Wetlands (FACW). Usually is a hydrophyte but occasionally found in uplands.

Facultative (FAC). Commonly occurs as either a hydrophyte or non-hydrophyte.

Facultative Upland (FACU). Occasionally is a hydrophyte but usually occurs in uplands.

**Obligate Upland (UPL).** Rarely is a hydrophyte, almost always in uplands.

Species for which little or no information was available to base an indicator status were assigned a no indicator (NI) status. An asterisk (\*) after the indicator status indicates that the indicator status was based on limited ecological information.

The wetlands indicator categories should not be equated to degrees of wetness. Many obligate wetlands species occur in permanently or semipermanently flooded wetlands, but a number of obligates also occur, and some are restricted to wetlands that are only temporarily or seasonally flooded. The facultative upland species include a diverse collection of plants that range from weedy species adapted to exist in a number of environmentally stressful or disturbed sites (including wetlands), to species in which a portion of the gene pool (an ecotype) always occurs in wetlands. Both the weedy and ecotype representatives of the facultative upland category occur in seasonally and semipermanently flooded wetlands.

Davey Resource Group has added two additional indicators for situations when plants can only be identified to genus. A Wetlands Indicator Species (WIS) is a plant that is most likely obligate wetlands, facultative wetlands, or facultative. An Upland Indicator Species (UIS) is a plant that is most likely indicative of upland or facultative upland conditions. These additional indicators are used when species identification is not possible. A variety of factors are part of the UIS and WIS assignments. Indicator statuses of all locally occurring members of the genus in question are considered, as are the health and size of the population and the indicator status of nearby plants.

Appendix K Vegetation, Hydrology, and Soils Data Sheets

#### WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Kane Solar II	_ City/County: Kane County	Samp	ling Date: 2022-12-06
Applicant/Owner: Horizon Solar Power			mpling Point: <u>1</u>
Investigator(s): Cat Holland, Kelly Volansky	_ Section, Township, Range: <u>S0</u>	3 T39N R6E	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat	Local relief (concave, convex, none		Slope (%): 0
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): K 95B Lat: 41.889484	14 Long: -88.	5417503	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: 152A - Drummer silty clay loam, 0 to 2	percent slopes	NWI classification:	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of	year? Yes 🔽 No (I	f no, explain in Remarks	s.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significan	tly disturbed? Are "Normal of	Circumstances" present	? Yes 🖌 No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally	problematic? (If needed, ex	plain any answers in Re	emarks.)

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present?	Yes Yes	No 🔽	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes No
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes	No 🔽	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative proced	lures here or in a	a separate report.)	

#### HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living	Roots (C3) Saturation Vis ble on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Sc	Dils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remarks)	Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No 🔽 Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? Yes <u>No</u> Depth (inches): <u>Ves</u> (includes capillary fringe)	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No
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#### **VEGETATION** – Use scientific names of plants.

Sampling Point: 1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft r )	Absolute	Dominant Species?		Dominance Test worksheet:
1. Tilia americana	<u>% Cover</u> 80	<u>species</u>	FACU	Number of Dominant Species
2. Celtis occidentalis	5		FAC	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A)
				Total Number of Dominant       Species Across All Strata:         2   (B)
3				
4				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A/B)
5				
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
15.64 -	85%	= Total Cov	/er	OBL species $\frac{0}{0}$ $x_1 = \frac{0}{0}$
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 ft r )				FACW species $0$ $x 2 = 0$ FAC species $7$ $x 3 = 21$
1				FACU species $80 \times 4 = 320$
2			. <u> </u>	UPL species $20$ $x 5 = 100$
3		·		Column Totals: 107 (A) 441 (B)
4				
5				Prevalence Index = B/A = 4.12
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7	<u> </u>			1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
		= Total Cov	/er	2 - Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft r)				3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
	20	~	UPL	4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Symphyotrichum spp.	2			Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
3.				
4				<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter
7				at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
9	<u> </u>			and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
10				Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
	22%	= Total Cov	/er	height.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft r )				
1. Vitis riparia	2		FAC	
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3.				Hydrophytic
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Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate			/ei	

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	lucky Mineral (S1)	-	Depleted Dark				-	Floodplain Soils (F19)	
	Gleyed Matrix (S4)	-	Redox Depress		.,			dic (TA6) (MLRA 144	
	Redox (S5)	_						nt Material (F21)	
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Depth (inc	ches).						Hydric Soil Pre	esent? Yes	No 🖌
Remarks:									
Remarks.									

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Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantly	y disturbed? Are "Norr	nal Circumstances" pre	esent? Yes 🖌 No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally pr	oblematic? (If needed	d, explain any answers	in Remarks.)

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Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):	
Saturation Present? Yes <u>No</u> Depth (inches): <u>Unchanged</u>	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspec	tions), if available:
Demontor	
Remarks:	

#### **VEGETATION** – Use scientific names of plants.

<u>Tree Stratum</u> (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u> ) 1		Dominant Indicator Species? Status	Dominance Test worksheet: Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 0 (A)
2			Total Number of Dominant
34			Percent of Dominant Species
5			That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>NaN</u> (A/B)
7			Prevalence Index worksheet: Total % Cover of:Multiply by:
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 ft r )		= Total Cover	OBL species0 $x = 0$ FACW species0 $x = 0$
1		. <u> </u>	FAC species $0   x 3 = 0$
2		·	FACU species0 $x 4 = 0$ UPL species0 $x 5 = 0$
3		· ·	Column Totals: $0$ (A) $0$ (B)
4 5			Prevalence Index = B/A = <u>NaN</u>
6			Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7			1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
		= Total Cover	2 - Dominance Test is >50% 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft r )			4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting
1. Zea mays	100	<u> </u>	data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2			Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
3			<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4			be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5 6			Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
7			<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
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10			Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11			of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12	100%	· ·	<b>Woody vines</b> – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
20 ft r	100%	= Total Cover	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u> )			
1			
23			Hudrophytic
4			Hydrophytic Vegetation
		= Total Cover	Present? Yes <u>No</u>
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate			

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	cription: (Describe	to the dept				or confirm	the absence of in	dicators.)
Depth (inches)	<u>Matrix</u> Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	<u>x Feature</u> %	s Type <sup>1</sup>	Loc <sup>2</sup>	Texture	Remarks
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	oncentration, D=De	oletion, RM=	Reduced Matrix, M	S=Masked	Sand Gr	ains.		Pore Lining, M=Matrix.
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	en Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky					e (S7) ( <b>LRR K, L</b> )
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	d Below Dark Surfac	ce (A11)	Depleted Matri		,			urface (S9) (LRR K, L)
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-	Redox (S5)							Material (F21)
	Matrix (S6)							w Dark Surface (TF12)
Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR R,	MLRA 149B	)				Other (Expla	ain in Remarks)
<sup>3</sup> Indicators o	f hydrophytic vegeta	ation and we	tland hydrology mu	st be prese	ent, unless	s disturbed	or problematic.	
	Layer (if observed)		, ,,					
Type:								
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil Pres	ent? Yes No 🖌
Remarks:								

#### WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Kane Solar II	City/County: Kane County	S	ampling Date: 2022-12-06	
Applicant/Owner: Horizon Solar Power		State: Illinois	Sampling Point: 3	
Investigator(s): Cat Holland, Kelly Volansky	_ Section, Township, Range:	503 T39N R6E		
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Depression	ocal relief (concave, convex, n		Slope (%): 2	
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): K 95B Lat: 41.8921829	) Long: <u>-8</u>	8.5439310	Datum: NAD 83	
Soil Map Unit Name: 152A - Drummer silty clay loam, 0 to 2	percent slopes	NWI classificati	ion:	
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of y	ear? Yes 🖍 No	(If no, explain in Rem	narks.)	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantl	y disturbed? Are "Norm	al Circumstances" pre	sent? Yes 🖌 No	
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p	roblematic? (If needed,	explain any answers	in Remarks.)	

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present? Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes Yes Yes	No 🖌 No 🖌 No 🖌	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes No If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative proced			

#### HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	<u>Se</u>	condary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)		_ Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (B9)		_ Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)		_ Moss Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)		_ Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)		_ Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living I	Roots (C3)	_ Saturation Vis ble on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)		_ Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Sc	oils (C6) 🛛 🔽	_ Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)		_ Shallow Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remarks)	_	_ Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	_	_ FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:		
Surface Water Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):		
Saturation Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):	Wetland Hyd	rology Present? Yes No 🖌
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#### **VEGETATION** – Use scientific names of plants.

	Absolute	Dominant	Indicator	Dominance Test worksheet:
Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u> )	% Cover	Species?	Status	
1. Acer rubrum	20	~	FAC	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>2</u> (A)
2				
				Total Number of Dominant         Species Across All Strata:         3         (B)
3				
4				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL_EACW_ or EAC: 66.7 (A/B)
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7</u> (A/B)
6				Prevalence Index worksheet:
7				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
	0.004	= Total Co	Vor	$\begin{array}{c} \hline \hline \\ OBL species \\ \hline \\ 0 \\ \hline \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \hline \\ x \\ 1 \\ \hline \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \hline \\ x \\ 1 \\ \hline \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \hline \\ x \\ 1 \\ \hline \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \end{array} \\$
		- 10141 00	VCI	FACW species $2   x^2 = 4$
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 ft r )				FAC species $25$ $x_3 = 75$
1		·		FACU species $0$ $x 4 = 0$
2				
3				
4				Column Totals: <u>37</u> (A) <u>129</u> (B)
				Prevalence Index = $B/A = 3.49$
5				
6		·		Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7		·		1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
		= Total Co	ver	✓ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft r )				3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0 <sup>1</sup>
1. Bromus inermis	10	~	UPL	4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2. Xanthium strumarium	5	~	FAC	Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
3. Arctium tomentosum				
				<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4. Elymus virginicus				be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5		·		Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Tree Mandy plants 2 in (7.6 am) or more in diameter
7				<b>Tree</b> – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				
				<b>Sapling/shrub</b> – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
9				
10		·		Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
	19%	= Total Co	ver	height.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft r )		rotar oo		
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1		·		
2				
3				Hydrophytic
4				Vegetation
				Present? Yes No 🔽
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate		= Total Co	ver	
Remarks. (include photo humbers here of on a separate	sneet.)			

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Hydric Soil			Debaselus Dela					-	
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	istic (A3)		Thin Dark Surf	,	RR R, MI	_RA 149B		y Peat or Peat (S3	
	en Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Mucky					ce (S7) (LRR K, L	
	d Layers (A5)		Loamy Gleyed		)			Below Surface (S8	
	d Below Dark Surfac	ce (A11)	Depleted Matri					Surface (S9) (LRR	-
	ark Surface (A12)		Redox Dark Su				-	inese Masses (F12	
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	Redox (S5)							Material (F21)	447, 140, 1400)
	l Matrix (S6)							w Dark Surface (1	ΓF12)
Dark Su	rface (S7) (LRR R,	MLRA 149E	3)				Other (Expl	ain in Remarks)	
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							Hydric Soil Pres	sent? Yes	
	ches):						Tryunc Son Tres		
Remarks:									

#### WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM – Northcentral and Northeast Region

Project/Site: Kane Solar II	_ City/County: Kane Count	y Sa	mpling Date: 2022-12-06
Applicant/Owner: Horizon Solar Power		State: Illinois	Sampling Point: <u>4</u>
Investigator(s): Cat Holland, Kelly Volansky	_ Section, Township, Range:	S03 T39N R6E	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Flat	Local relief (concave, convex,		Slope (%): 0
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): K 95B Lat: 41.893099	96 Long:	88.5414758	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: 152A - Drummer silty clay loam, 0 to 2	percent slopes	NWI classificatio	n:
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of	year? Yes 🖌 No	_ (If no, explain in Rema	arks.)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significan	tly disturbed? Are "Norr	nal Circumstances" pres	ent? Yes 🖌 No
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally	problematic? (If needed	d, explain any answers ir	Remarks.)

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

Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Hydric Soil Present?	Yes Yes	No 🔽	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes No
Wetland Hydrology Present?	Yes	No	If yes, optional Wetland Site ID:
Remarks: (Explain alternative proced	lures here or in a	a separate report.)	

#### HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	Drainage Patterns (B10)
High Water Table (A2) Aquatic Fauna (B13)	Moss Trim Lines (B16)
Saturation (A3) Marl Deposits (B15)	Dry-Season Water Table (C2)
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Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living F	Roots (C3) Saturation Vis ble on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	Stunted or Stressed Plants (D1)
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Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Shallow Aquitard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remarks)	Microtopographic Relief (D4)
Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8)	FAC-Neutral Test (D5)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No 🖌 Depth (inches):	
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#### **VEGETATION** – Use scientific names of plants.

	Abaaluta	Dominon	t Indicator	
Tree Stratum (Plot size: <u>30 ft r</u> )	Absolute <u>% Cover</u>	Species?		Dominance Test worksheet:
1 Populus deltoides	90	~	FAC	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 2 (A)
2. Morus alba	20		FACU	
3	_			Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata: 3 (B)
4				· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
				Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: <u>66.7</u> (A/B)
5				
6		·		Prevalence Index worksheet:
7		·		Total % Cover of:Multiply by:
	110%	= Total Co	ver	OBL species $\frac{0}{2}$ x 1 = $\frac{0}{2}$
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 15 ft r )				FACW species $\frac{0}{105}$ x 2 = $\frac{0}{215}$
1			<u> </u>	FAC species $\frac{105}{20}$ x 3 = $\frac{315}{20}$
2				FACU species $20$ x 4 = $80$
3				UPL species $\frac{15}{140}$ x 5 = $\frac{75}{470}$
				Column Totals: <u>140</u> (A) <u>470</u> (B)
4				Prevalence Index = $B/A = \frac{3.36}{2}$
5				
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation ✓ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
		= Total Co	ver	$\sim$ 2 - Dominance Test is >50% $\sim$ 3 - Prevalence Index is <3.0 <sup>1</sup>
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 5 ft r )				4 - Morphological Adaptations <sup>1</sup> (Provide supporting
1				data in Remarks or on a separate sheet)
2				Problematic Hydrophytic Vegetation <sup>1</sup> (Explain)
3				
				<sup>1</sup> Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
4				be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
5				Definitions of Vegetation Strata:
6				Tree – Woody plants 3 in. (7.6 cm) or more in diameter
7		·		at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
8				Sapling/shrub – Woody plants less than 3 in. DBH
9				and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
10		<u></u>	<u> </u>	Herb – All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
11				of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
12.				Woody vines – All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
		= Total Co	Ver	height.
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30 ft r )				
	15		EAC	
1. Vitis riparia		<u> </u>	FAC	
2. Lonicera maackii	10	~	UPL	
3. Rubus occidentalis	5	·	UPL	Hydrophytic
4		·	<u> </u>	Vegetation Present? Yes No
	30%	= Total Co	ver	
Remarks: (Include photo numbers here or on a separate	sheet.)			

SOIL
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	cription: (Describe	to the dept				or confirn	n the absence o	of indicator	's.)	
Depth (inches)			<u>Redox Features</u> Color (moist) % Type <sup>1</sup> Loc <sup>2</sup>				Texture Remarks			
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	oncentration, D=Dep	oletion, RM=	Reduced Matrix, M	S=Masked	d Sand Gra	ains.			ining, M=Mat	
Hydric Soil	Indicators:						Indicators f	or Problem	natic Hydric	Soils <sup>3</sup> :
Histosol			Polyvalue Belo		(S8) (LRF	RR,			_RR K, L, ML	
Histic Epipedon (A2) MLRA 149B)						Coast Prairie Redox (A16) (LRR K, L, R)				
Black Histic (A3) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)										
Hydrogen Sulfide (A4) Loamy Mucky Mineral (F1) (LRR K, L)							Dark Surface (S7) (LRR K, L)			
	d Layers (A5) d Bolow Dark Surfac		Loamy Gleyed		()		Polyvalue Below Surface (S8) (LRR K, L) Thin Dark Surface (S9) (LRR K, L)			
Depleted Below Dark Surface (A11) Depleted Matrix (F3) Thick Dark Surface (A12) Redox Dark Surface (F6)							Iron-Manganese Masses (F12) (LRR K, L, R)			
Sandy Mucky Mineral (S1) Depleted Dark Surface (F7)							Piedmont Floodplain Soils (F19) (MLRA 149B)			
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Sandy Redox (S5)							Red Parent Material (F21)			
Stripped Matrix (S6)							Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)			
Dark Surface (S7) (LRR R, MLRA 149B)							Other (Explain in Remarks)			
	f hydrophytic vegeta		tland hydrology mu	st be prese	ent, unless	s disturbed	l or problematic.			
Restrictive	Layer (if observed)	:								
Туре:										
Depth (in	ches):						Hydric Soil F	Present?	Yes	No 🖌
Remarks:										
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