NATIONAL WETLANDS PRIORITY CONSERVATION PLAN

WETLANDS ASSESSMENT THRESHOLD CRITERIA

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete this page to determine whether a wetland site (refer to Wetlands Profile guidance) qualifies for acquisition consideration under the National Wetlands Priority Conservation Plan.

Use the attached guidance for estimating wetland losses, threats and functions and values thresholds. The guidance is organized in the same sequence as the threshold criteria and will direct the user to an appropriate conclusion. Complete all questions and statements.

1. **WETLANDS PROFILE:**
   a. Wetland Site Name: _____ File No: ____
   b. USGS 1:24,000 Map Quadrangle Name: _____
   c. Township: _____; Section: _____
   d. Longitude: _____; Latitude: _____
   e. City: _____; County: _____; State: _____
   f. Ecoregion: _____ (refer to Cowardin, *et al.*, 1979, p.27).
   g. Size: _____(acres). Date of wetlands assessment: _____

2. **WETLAND LOSS PRIORITY: (circle one) 1 2 3 4 5**
   Must be priority level 1, 2 or 3 to meet threshold.

3. **IS THE WETLAND SITE THREATENED** (refer to the attached guidance under Wetland Threats)? Must be circled "yes" to meet threshold.
   ____ YES ____ NO

4. **WETLAND FUNCTIONS AND VALUES**
   Check all that apply. Must check at least two to meet threshold.
   ___ a. Wildlife
   ___ b. Fisheries
   ___ c. Water Supply/Quality, Flood and Erosion Protection
   ___ d. Outdoor Recreation
   ___ e. Other Areas or Concerns _____

5. **CONCLUSION**

____ Yes, wetland site meets all threshold criteria and qualifies for acquisition consideration under provisions of the National Wetlands Priority Conservation Plan.

____ No, wetland site does not meet all threshold criteria and therefore does not qualify for acquisition consideration under provisions of the National Wetlands Priority Conservation Plan.