

# Public Notice

**U.S. Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
Pittsburgh District

In Reply Refer to  
Notice No. below

US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District  
1000 Liberty Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4186

Application No. LRP-2010-1066

Date: August 6, 2012

Notice No. 12-46

Closing Date: September 5, 2012

1. TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The following application has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.
2. APPLICANT: COL Peter E. Seaholm  
United States Property and Fiscal Officer (USP&FO) for Ohio  
2811 West Dublin-Granville Road  
Columbus, Ohio 43235
3. AGENT: Davey Resource Group  
3728 Fishcreek Road  
Stow, Ohio 44224
4. LOCATION: Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center  
1438 State Route 534 Southwest  
Newton Falls, Ohio 44444  
Lat: 41.218504° N  
Lon: 81.075325° W
5. PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The applicant proposes to construct a Modified Record Fire (MRF) Range within the 21,683 acre Camp Ravenna Joint Military Training Center, Windham Township, Ohio. The MRF range will include clearing of 39.32 acres of land and grading of land near the north central portion of Camp Ravenna to construct 20-meter firing lanes, with vegetation to be maintained through mowing to allow for unobstructed target views. A 10-foot by 30-foot earthen berm will be constructed at the edge of the range with material excavated from the earthwork completed on the site. Infrastructure associated with the ranges includes range operations facilities, parking, and access roads. Approximately 4.887 acres of wetlands will be impacted through filling and 2,441 linear feet of stream will be placed in a culvert to complete this project. It has been determined by the United States Army Reserve that there is very limited small arms capability in the eastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania region. To meet the needs of the soldiers in this geographic area, constructing a range complex on Camp Ravenna fits the purpose and needs as it is located within a reasonable driving distance, provides varied ranges and enhanced training capability, and can be constructed at a reasonable cost.

Mitigation for the loss of 4.887 acre of wetland and 2,441 linear feet of stream will be provided through a combination of on-site and off-site wetland and stream restoration projects within the Mahoning River Watershed. There will be approximately 1.7 acres of wetland mitigation provided on-site at Camp Ravenna while the rest of the mitigation requirements will be completed off-site within Portage Park District Property at the Walter Preserve in Palmyra Township.

Drawings of the proposed project and mitigation can be found on-line on the District Webpage at:[http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/or/or-f/public\\_notice.htm](http://www.lrp.usace.army.mil/or/or-f/public_notice.htm)

6. WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION: A Permit will not be granted until Water Quality Certification is received or waived from:

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)  
Section 401 Coordinator  
PO Box 1049  
Columbus, Ohio 43266-0149  
Telephone Number: 614-644-2001

7. IMPACT ON NATURAL RESOURCES: The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information along with correspondence with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (project 08-0104) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (letter dated May 6, 2008) and has determined that the project is not likely to affect the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species, or result in the destruction or adverse modification of habitat of such species which has been determined to be critical. This Public Notice serves as a request to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional updated information they may have on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1972 (as amended).

8. IMPACT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES: The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted, as evidenced by letter dated March 4, 2009 from the Ohio Historic Preservation Office (Reference 2009-POR-5085/1023502) and it has been determined that there are no properties currently listed on the register or eligible for the register which would be directly affected by the proposed work. If we are made aware, as a result of comments received in response to this notice, or by other means, of specific archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical sites or structures which might be affected by the proposed work, the District Engineer will immediately take the appropriate action necessary pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 - Public Law 89-665 as amended (including Public Law 96-515).

9. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in the paragraph below entitled "RESPONSES," that a public hearing be held to consider this application. The requests for public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

10. EVALUATION: Interested parties are invited to state any objections they may have to the proposed work. The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposals must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. The evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, under the authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).

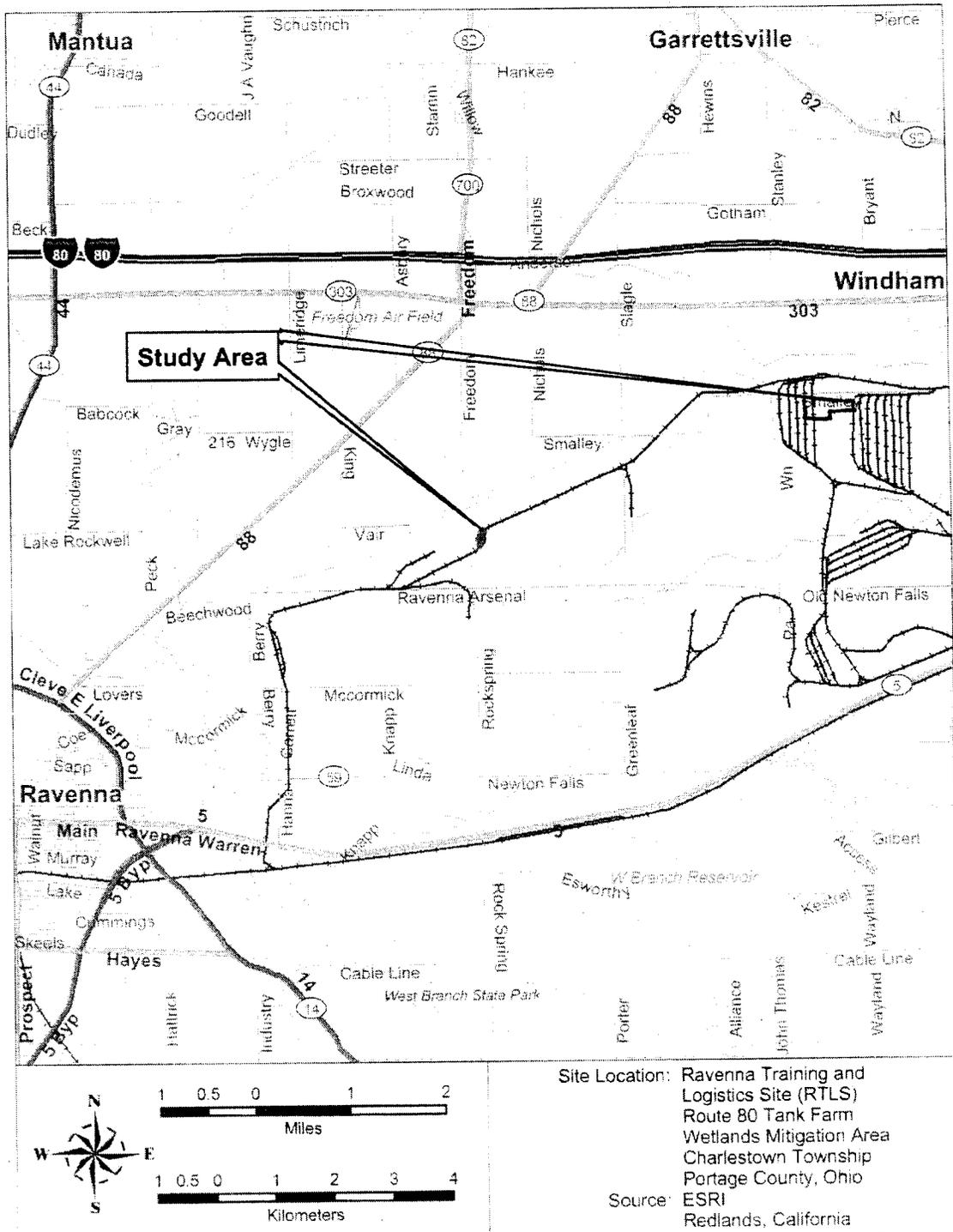
11. RESPONSES: A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest. Written statements concerning the proposed activity should be received in this office on or before the closing date of this Public Notice in order to become a part of the record and to be considered in the final determination. Any objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested DA Permit. All responses to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Branch, attn Nicole Marisavljevic at the above address, by telephoning (412) 395-7592, or by e-mail at [nicole.marisavljevic@usace.army.mil](mailto:nicole.marisavljevic@usace.army.mil). Please refer to LRP-2010-1066 in all responses.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

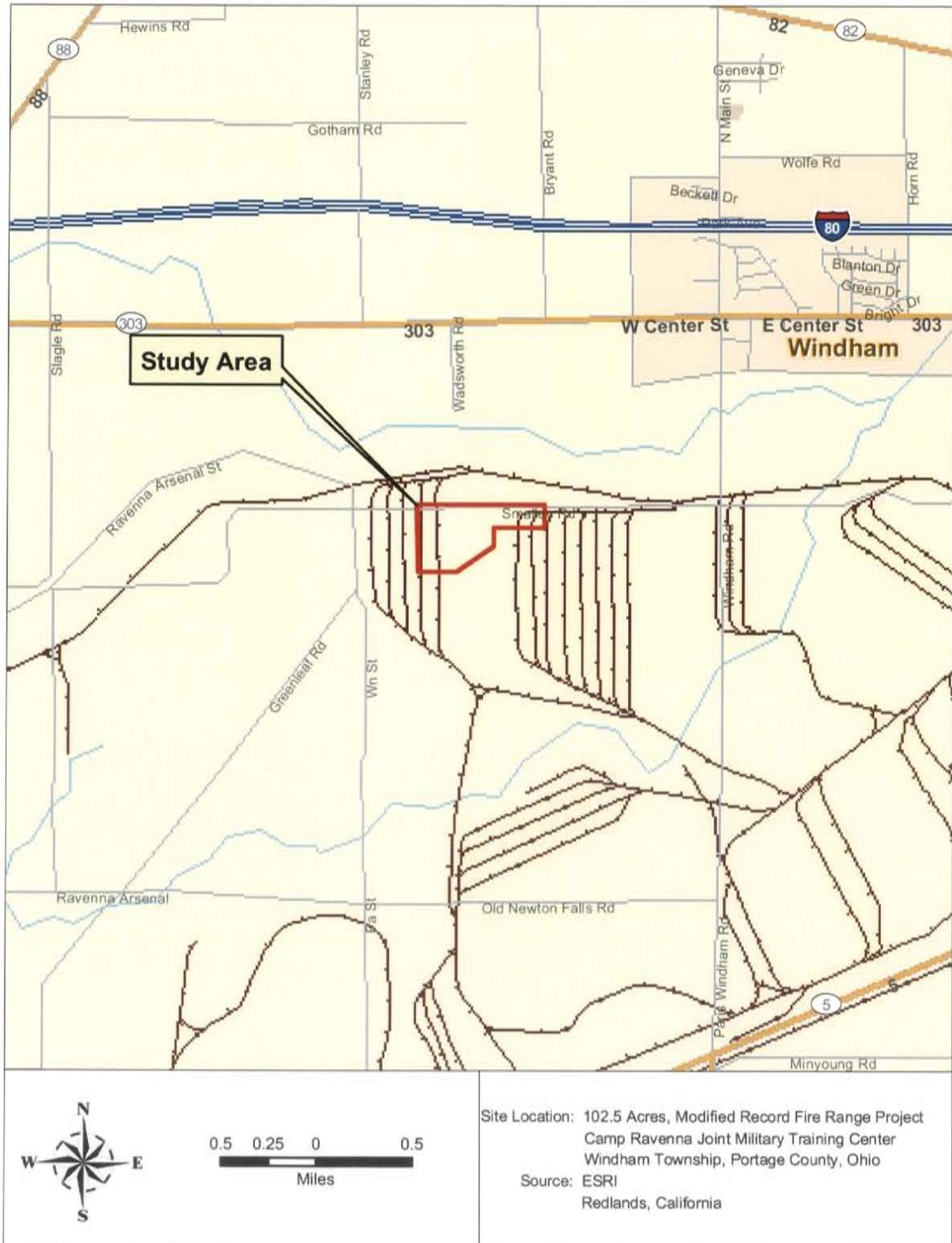
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Nancy Mullen  
Chief, Northern Section  
Regulatory Branch

### Appendix A Location of Study Area on Highway Map



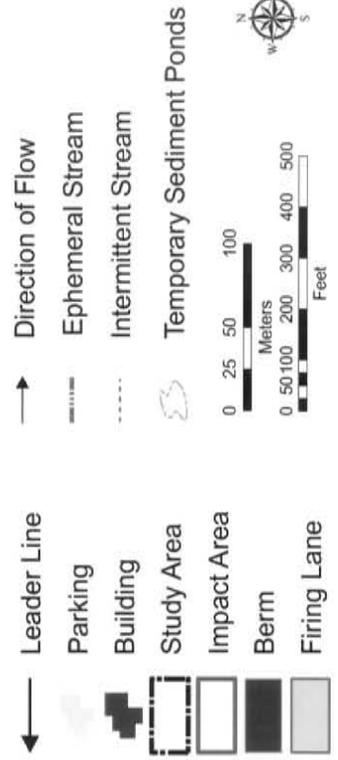
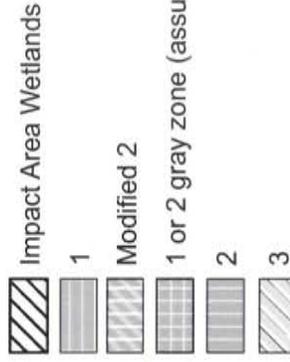
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# Preferred Design



## ORAM Category

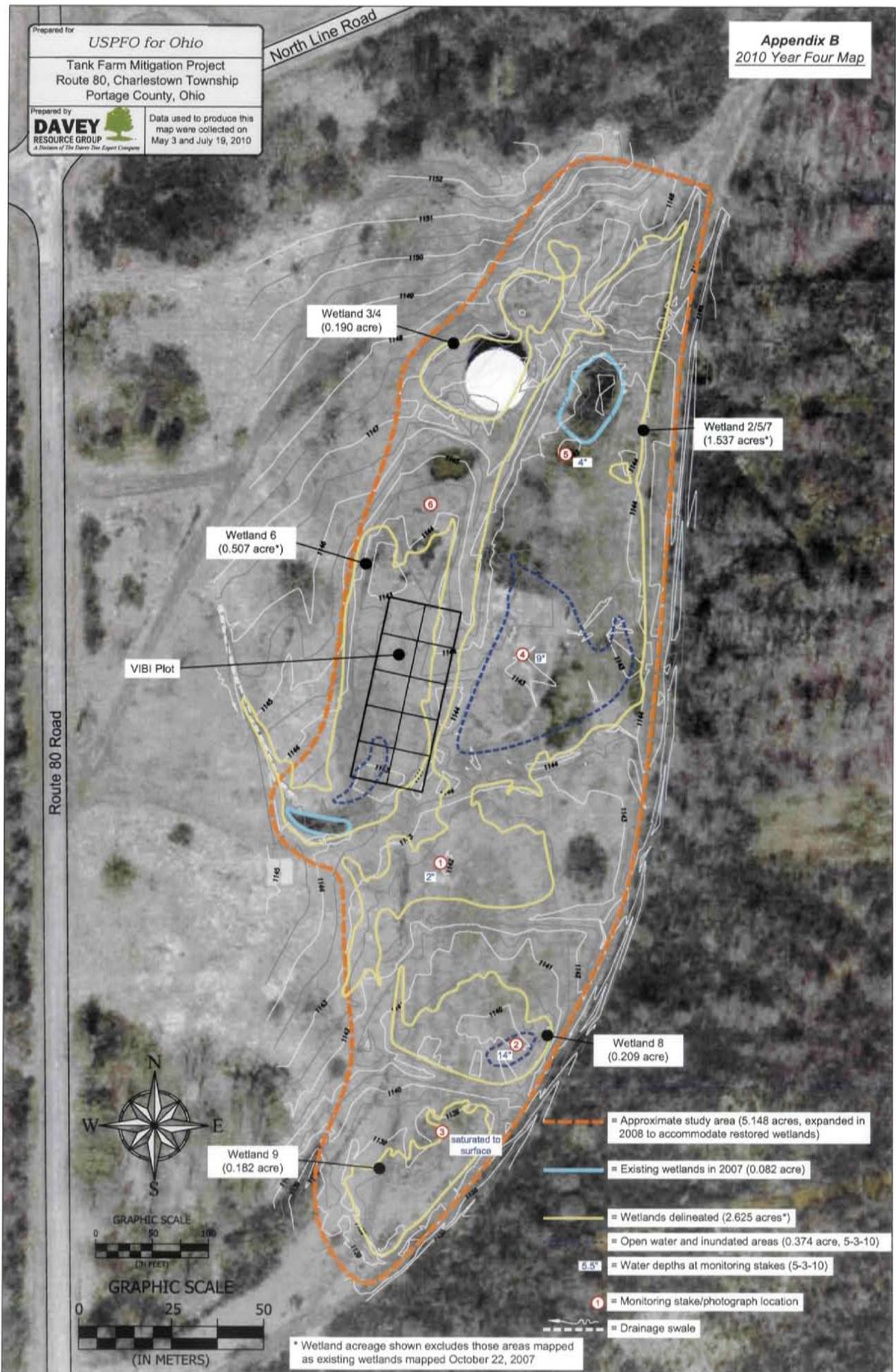


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 Tank Farm Mitigation Project  
 Route 80, Charlestown Township  
 Portage County, Ohio

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Data used to produce this map were collected on May 3 and July 19, 2010

**Appendix B**  
 2010 Year Four Map



Wetland 3/4  
 (0.190 acre)

Wetland 2/5/7  
 (1.537 acres\*)

Wetland 6  
 (0.507 acre\*)

VIBI Plot

Wetland 8  
 (0.209 acre)

Wetland 9  
 (0.182 acre)

saturated to surface

= Approximate study area (5.148 acres, expanded in 2008 to accommodate restored wetlands)

= Existing wetlands in 2007 (0.082 acre)

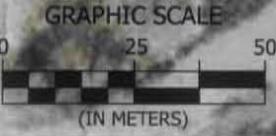
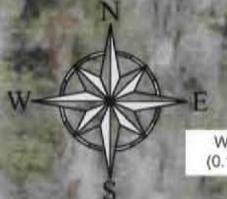
= Wetlands delineated (2.625 acres\*)

= Open water and inundated areas (0.374 acre, 5-3-10)

6.5' = Water depths at monitoring stakes (5-3-10)

① = Monitoring stake/photograph location

= Drainage swale



\* Wetland acreage shown excludes those areas mapped as existing wetlands mapped October 22, 2007

Prepared for  
**Portage Park District**  
 Walter Property  
 80.5 Acres, State Route 225  
 Palmyra Township, Portage County, Ohio  
 Prepared by  
**DAVEY**  
 CONSULTING  
 A Division of The Davey Group  
 January, 2011

- = Project area
- = Existing Wetlands (~14.3 acres)
- = Possible primary restoration areas (~7.6 acres)
- = Possible secondary restoration areas (~5.8 acres)
- = Possible enhancement areas (~4.0 acres)
- = Stream

**\*NOTE:** Existing wetlands, streams, enhancement, and restoration areas within shown project limits are approximations based on Portage County GIS information and 2006 aerial photograph interpretation.

