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LIST OF ACRONYMS

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| CHGE – | Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation |
| FWIA – | Fish and Wildlife Impact Analysis |
| ECL – | Environmental Conservation Law |
| ELAP – | Environmental Laboratory Approval Program |
| km - | kilometer |
| NYCRR – | New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations |
| NYNHP – | New York Natural Heritage Program |
| NYSDEC – | New York State Department of Environmental Conservation |
| PAHs – | Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons |
| PCBs – | Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons |
| RCRA – | Resource Conservation and Recovery Act |
| USACE – | United States Army Corps of Engineers |
| USEPA – | United States Environmental Protection Agency |
| µg/kg – | micrograms per kilogram |

FISH AND WILDLIFE IMPACT ANALYSIS
Eltings Corners Facility
Town of Lloyd, New York

1 INTRODUCTION

Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation (CHGE) retained Kleinfelder, Inc. (Kleinfelder) to prepare a Fish and Wildlife Impact Analysis (FWIA) for the undeveloped portion of CHGE's Eltings Corners Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permitted Facility and two adjacent parcels (the Site). The Site is located at the intersection of State Route 299 and South Street in the Town of Lloyd, Ulster County, New York. The Site location is depicted on **Figure 1**.

This FWIA was performed in accordance with the NYSDEC Division of Fish and Wildlife guidance document, *Fish and Wildlife Impact Analysis for Inactive Hazardous Waste Sites*, dated October 1994. This FWIA follows Steps I through IIB as identified in the 1994 guidance document.

1.1 SITE OVERVIEW

The Site encompasses approximately 12 acres and is comprised primarily of a New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) regulated freshwater wetland identified as CD-6, a Class 1 wetland within Lots 87.1-3-18, 87.1-3-23, and 87.1-3-24. Lot 87.1-3-18 is bisected by South Street (County Road 22). The majority of the western portion of this bisected lot falls within wetland CD-6. The eastern portion of the lot is comprised of the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility.

According to historical information provided by CHGE, the Eltings Corners Facility has operated as a vehicle and equipment storage/repair facility since the 1950s. Both current and historic activities included: storage and repair of electrical equipment, including transformers and CHGE fleet vehicles, as well as materials warehouses and administrative offices.

Black Creek, a NYSDEC Class A trout stream (in the lower reaches), is located adjacent to the eastern boundary of the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility. The facility contains a stormwater

drainage system that conveys stormwater runoff from throughout the facility property, as well as some flow from Black Creek, to a single discharge point on the Site which is permitted by the NYSDEC under permit no. NY0148849. This outfall discharges stormwater and a portion of stream flow from Black Creek which flows through the Site into wetland CD-6.

Previous sediment sampling of the wetland and main streambed has indicated that polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) are present at various locations and depths within the Site. At each sampling location, sediment samples were collected from discrete depth intervals to determine a vertical and horizontal profile of sediment quality. Analytical results of these sediment samples indicated the presence of PCBs and PAHs within the Class A, Class B, and Class C categories as defined in the NYSDEC *Screening and Assessment of Contaminated Sediment* guidance, dated 2014. The Class B and Class C sediments will require remedial corrective measures.

Kleinfelder conducted three Interim Supplemental RCRA Facility Investigations in December 2009, November 2010, and July 2012 where additional sediment samples were collected to delineate the horizontal and vertical extent of PCB- and PAH-impacted sediments. Based on the analytical results of these sampling efforts, remedial action was determined to be necessary on the Site.

2 STEP I: SITE DESCRIPTION

The objectives of Step I of the NYSDEC FWIA guidance document are to identify the wildlife resources that currently exist within the Site and those which existed before impacts from the Facility may have occurred, as well as to provide the information necessary for the design of a remedial investigation.

2.1 SITE DESCRIPTION

As previously described, the Site is comprised of approximately 12 acres on Lot 87.1-3-23, Lot 87.1-3-24, and the western portion of Lot 87.1-3-18. The eastern portion of Lot 87.1-3-18 is comprised of the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility. The western and eastern portions of this lot (Lot 87.1-3-18) are bisected by South Street (County Road 22).

The majority of the Site is within NYSDEC wetland CD-6. Wetland CD-6 is a large freshwater emergent/scrub-shrub wetland extending north, west, and south of the Site and is approximately 1,526 acres in size. This wetland complex extends from the northeast corner of South Ohioville Road and Hurds Road to the north approximately 6.5 miles to Plutarch Road. State Route 299 bisects the wetland east to west through the approximate center of the wetland. One named perennial stream, Swartekill Creek, originates from the wetland complex and flows north through the central portion of the wetland. The stream continues flowing north from wetland CD-6 through several other NYSDEC wetlands before discharging into the Wallkill River (a Class B and C surface water body).

Historic aerials and topographic maps indicate that agricultural fields and orchards were present on the Site both in 1958 and 1963 (NETR Online, 2014). It is unclear when the Site was developed for agricultural purposes and when the Site reverted back to its current wetland state. Remnant drainage ditches constructed to drain the CHGE parcel are still present within the Site.

The Site topography is generally level with an average elevation of 357 feet above mean sea level, as determined by the USGS 7.5 minute Clintondale Quadrangle (North American Vertical Datum of 1988).

Black Creek, a NYSDEC Class A trout stream in its lower branches, partially flows through the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility stormwater drainage system. This flow enters a culvert under the former rail bed (on the eastern perimeter of the active CHGE facility), flows into a fire pond, and subsequently into the onsite facility stormwater drainage system. The drainage system discharges stormwater runoff and some flow from Black Creek into wetland CD-6. Surface water flow during hydrological events is depicted on **Figure 2**.

The one-half mile radius around the Site consists primarily of commercial properties along State Route 299 corridor, north and west of the Site, and undeveloped wetlands to the west. Low density residential lots are present south/southeast of the Site. Medium density residential properties are located north of State Route 299. Several agricultural and undeveloped successional forested areas are present south and east of the Site.

Several significant natural resource features are located within two miles of the Site perimeter. These ecological features are depicted on **Figure 3**. Several NYSDEC-regulated freshwater wetlands and Class A and B streams exist in this area. One NYSDEC Significant Habitat, a dwarf shrub bog, is located approximately 1.1 miles south of the Site.

Additionally, three rare plants have been historically documented in a large area located approximately one-quarter mile south of the Site:

| Plant Species | Date Last Documented | Location and Habitat Where Last Documented | NYS Protected Status |
|--|----------------------|--|----------------------|
| Dragon's Mouth Orchid (<i>Arethusa bulbosa</i>) | 06/06/1958 | Clintondale; located in sphagnum swamp | Threatened |
| Puttyroot (<i>Aplectrum hyemale</i>) | 06/05/1958 | New Paltz; located in moist woodlands | Endangered |
| Large Twayblade (<i>Liparis liliifolia</i>) | 06/06/1958 | Clintondale; located in woods along a swamp edge | Endangered |

No other significant communities or other endangered, threatened, or rare species were identified by NYSDEC Environmental Resource Mapper within two miles of the Site (NYSDEC, 2014a).

No endangered, threatened, or rare species have been documented at the Site using NYSDEC Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) Mapper online software program (NYSDEC, 2014b).

2.2 DESCRIPTION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Section 2.2 describes the fish and wildlife resources found within the Site and surrounding habitats within one-half mile of the Site in accordance with the NYSDEC FWIA guidance document. The coertype assessment was conducted via a desktop analysis and was verified in the field by Kleinfelder biologist, David B. Tompkins. Coertypes were classified and described using *Ecological Communities of New York State: Second Edition* (Edinger et al., 2002). The locations of these coertypes are depicted on **Figure 4** and are described below.

Site Coertypes and Fish & Wildlife Resources

Freshwater Forested/Scrub-Shrub Wetland and Freshwater Emergent Wetland

NYSDEC Wetland CD-6 is a very large wetland complex featuring several different wetland habitats ranging from palustrine, emergent, semi-permanently flooded areas to deciduous forested, seasonally flooded areas. The Site consists of several wetland types transitioning (from east to west) from scrub-shrub wetlands located along South Street to emergent herbaceous vegetation to red maple forested wetland approximately 500 feet west of South Street. A list of dominant vegetative species found within the Site is located on **Table 1**.

Wildlife identified at the Site includes red-winged blackbird (*Agelaius phoeniceus*), wood duck (*Apix sponsa*), mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), common grackle (*Quiscalus major*), great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*), Canada goose (*Branta canadensis*), song sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*), raccoon (*Procyon lotor*), and beaver (*Castor canadensis*). Other wildlife typically associated with freshwater emergent, forested, and scrub-shrub wetlands include eastern American toad (*Bufo a. americanus*), northern spring peeper (*Pseudacris c. crucifer*), green frog (*Lithobates clamitans*), and wood frog (*L. sylvaticus*) and salamanders such as northern redback salamanders (*Plethodon c. cinereus*). Avian species typically found in these habitats include marsh wren (*Cistothorus palustris*), common yellowthroat (*Geothlypis trichas*), American bittern (*Botaurus lentiginosus*), alder flycatcher (*Empidonax alnorum*), willow flycatcher (*E. tralli*), and Lincoln's sparrow (*Passerella lincolni*).

During the 2009 environmental investigation conducted at the Site, surface water quality parameter data, including water depth, temperature, turbidity, dissolved oxygen, flow rate, pH, and specific conductivity, were collected using a calibrated Horiba U-22 water quality parameter unit. This data is provided in Table 2.

Site Vicinity Covertypes & Fish and Wildlife Resources

Several covertypes were identified within a one-half mile radius of the Site and are described below.

Urban Structure Exterior, Paved Road/Path, and Unpaved Road/Path

The eastern portion of Lot 87.1-3-18 is comprised of the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility which houses several storage, maintenance, and office buildings. Additionally, the facility has a network of both paved and unpaved areas. Habitat for flora and fauna on this area of the Site is limited by continuous disturbance due to daily site activity.

Few areas of urban structures exist within one-half mile of the Site and are primarily confined to the area north of the Site, across Route 299. Urban structure exteriors include one large business, Lowe's Home Improvement Store, and several other smaller businesses along the northern side of Route 299.

Urban structure exteriors are defined as the exterior surfaces of metal, wood, or concrete structures (such as commercial buildings) or any structural surface composed of inorganic materials in an urban or densely populated suburban area. These sites may be sparsely vegetated with lichens, mosses, and terrestrial algae; however, vascular plants may grow in cracks. Nooks and crannies may provide nesting habitat for birds and insects and as roosting sites for bats.

Characteristic birds include common nighthawk (*Chordeiles minor*) on rooftops, American robin (*Turdus migratorius*) on porches or under shelters, and exotic birds such as rock dove (*Columbia livia*) and house sparrow (*Passer domesticus*).

Rural Structure Exteriors

Some rural structures, low density residential dwellings, exist in the Site vicinity, mainly south of the Site along South Street (County Road 22). These ecological communities are defined as exterior surfaces of metal, wood, or concrete structures or any structural surface composed of inorganic materials in a rural or sparsely populated suburban area. Sites of this nature may be sparsely vegetated with lichens, mosses, and terrestrial algae with vascular plants occasionally growing in cracks. Small areas within the structures may provide nesting habitat for birds and insects and as roosting sites for bats.

The wildlife communities typically inhabiting these structures are similar to the wildlife found on urban structure exteriors with the addition of gray squirrels (*Sciurus carolinensis*) and raccoons.

Mowed Lawns with Trees

Several areas of mowed lawns with trees are present within one-half mile of the Site, typically in conjunction with urban and rural structure exteriors. The "mowed lawn with trees" coverts is defined as residential, recreational, or commercial land in which groundcover is dominated by clipped grasses and forbs, and is shaded by at least 30 percent cover of trees. Ornamental and/or native shrubs may be present, usually with less than 50 percent cover. The groundcover is maintained by mowing. Characteristic animals include gray squirrel, American robin, mourning dove (*Zenaida macroura*), and mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*).

Paved Road and Mowed Roadside

The Site is bounded by Route 299 to the north and bisected by South Street (County Road 22). Paved roads provide little habitat for wildlife; however, sparse vegetation may be rooted within cracks in the paved surface.

Narrow strips of mowed vegetation are present along the sides of Route 299, South Street, and other nearby paved streets. The vegetation in these mowed strips are typically dominated by grasses, sedges, and rushes but can be dominated by forbs, vines, and low shrubs tolerant of infrequent mowing.

Confined River and Associated Riparian Habitat

Black Creek, a Class A trout stream in its lower sections, is classified as a confined river, an aquatic community of relatively large, fast flowing sections of streams with a moderate to gentle gradient. Confined rivers typically have high water clarity and are well oxygenated. In the one-half mile vicinity of the Site, Black Creek flows northeast through areas of mowed lawn with trees on residential properties and into a more undisturbed riparian/upland forest habitat.

Fish diversity ranges from moderate to high with characteristic fish such as creek chub (*Semotilus atromaculatus*), bluntnose minnow (*Pimephales notatus*), and tessellated darter (*Etheostoma olmsted*). The macroinvertebrate communities within confined rivers tend to be highly diverse. Vegetation within confined rivers is limited and algae is the predominant plant occurring in these habitats.

Former Railroad Bed

A former railroad bed is located on the eastern perimeter of the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility. The rail line is no longer in service; however, it is assumed that during its service, vegetative encroachment was maintained via mowing and/or herbicide application. A vegetative community typically associated with disturbed sites has been established along the railroad.

Shallow and Deep Emergent Marshes

Several shallow and deep emergent marshes are located within the Site vicinity. Shallow emergent marshes are defined as marsh meadow communities that occur either on mineral soil or deep muck soils that are permanently saturated and seasonally flooded. Deep emergent marshes are defined as marsh communities occurring on mineral soils or fine-grained organic soils. Shallow emergent marshes are typically better drained than deep emergent marshes. Typical wildlife communities utilizing these habitats have been described above in the Site Cover type Section above.

Forested/Scrub-Shrub Wetland

Several scrub-shrub and forested wetlands are located within one-half mile of the Site. Forested wetlands include seasonally flooded forested, and permanently flooded or saturated swamps. Forests typically have at least 50% canopy cover. The hardwood swamp occurs in poorly

drained depressions, usually on inorganic soils. This is a broadly defined community with many regional and edaphic variants. Typical species found within this community include red maple (*Acer rubrum*), green ash (*Fraxinus pennsylvanica*), eastern cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*), American elm (*Ulmus americana*), and swamp white oak (*Quercus bicolor*). The shrub layer may be very well-developed and dense. Species in this layer may include spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), dogwoods (*Cornus sericea*, *C. racemosa*, and *C. amomum*), and viburnums (*Viburnum recognitum* and *V. dentatum*).

A scrub-shrub wetland (shrub swamp) is an inland wetland dominated by tall shrubs that occurs along the shore of a lake or river, in a wet depression or valley not associated with lakes, or as a transition zone between a marsh, fen, or bog and a swamp or upland community. Shrub swamps are very common and variable and may be co-dominated by a mixture of species or a single dominant shrub species. Typical species found within these wetlands include speckled alder (*Alnus incana*), dogwoods (*Cornus* spp.), and willows (*Salix* spp.)

Southern Successional Hardwood Forest

Undeveloped parcels of southern successional hardwood forest are located south of the Site. Successional forests include forests that develop on sites that have been cleared (for farming, logging, etc.) or otherwise disturbed (by fire, ice, wind throw, flooding, etc.). Trees and shrubs found within this forest type include American elm, white ash (*Fraxinus americana*), red maple, gray birch (*Betula populifolia*), sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*), and tree-of-heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*).

Stormwater Detention Basin

Two stormwater detention basins are located northeast of the Lowe's Home Improvement Store. Although the basins are vegetated, they are routinely flooded due to an influx on stormwater runoff from rainfall events. The basins may provide temporary habitat for some amphibians, birds, and insects although more suitable habitat is present in the nearby vicinity making this detention basin unlikely to provide significant habitat for wildlife.

Freshwater Pond

Two small freshwater ponds are located northeast of the Site, east-adjacent to the Lowe's Home Improvement Store. Both ponds are considered eutrophic ponds which are small, shallow, nutrient-rich ponds that are usually green with algae, and have mucky bottoms. Water is usually murky with low transparency, rich in plant nutrients with usually a high diversity and abundance of aquatic vegetation. Vegetative species found within this community may include duckweed (*Lemna minor*), coontail (*Ceratophyllum demersum*), pondweeds (*Potamogeton* spp.), yellow pond-lily (*Nuphar luteum*), and algae (*Cladophora* spp.). These areas are likely to contain some degree of invasive species such as common reed and purple loosestrife.

Cropland/Field Crops and Orchards

As part of the rural nature of the surrounding land use, several parcels of cropland and orchard are present within one-half mile of the Site. Cropland, specifically field crops, is agricultural fields planted with field crops such as alfalfa or hayfields. Characteristic species include grasshopper sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*), vesper sparrow (*Pooecetes gramineus*), bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*), and mourning dove.

Orchards are defined as stands of cultivated fruit trees with grasses as a groundcover. The orchards found within one-half mile of the Site are active. Characteristic bird species include the American robin, eastern kingbird (*Tyrannus tyrannus*), mourning dove, and in mature orchards, yellow-bellied sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus varius*).

NYSDEC Breeding Bird Atlas Results

The Breeding Bird Atlas is a comprehensive, statewide survey effort which aims to document the distribution of breeding birds in New York. The state is divided into survey blocks which measure five by five kilometers (km) in area and volunteers document evidence of breeding bird activity over the course of five years.

The 2000-2005 breeding bird survey effort resulted in the documentation of 57 avian species within atlas block 5761A in which the Site is located. No threatened, endangered, or rare species were identified in the survey area during the 2000 – 2005 survey. The list of documented species during this most recent survey is provided in **Appendix A**.

NYSDEC Herp Atlas Results

The NYSDEC's Amphibian and Reptile Atlas Project (Herp Atlas) was a ten year survey conducted from 1990 through 1999 which was designed to document the reptile and amphibian distribution in New York State. The survey blocks correspond to USGS 7.5 minute topographic quadrangles. A total of 42 amphibian and reptile species were recorded in the Clintondale quadrangle survey area. Because of the scale of the quadrangle, a smaller subset (31 species) may occur on the Site and nearby vicinity. A list of species documented within the Clintondale quadrangle is provided in **Appendix B**.

Observations of Stress

No visible signs of stressed vegetation associated with contaminant exposure were observed on the Site. Visible sheens were detected in some areas of standing water within the Site during the previous environmental investigations. Additionally, sheen and petroleum-like odors were detected at some sediment sample locations. It should be noted that sheens observed on surface waters and within sediments may be naturally occurring due to decaying organic matter.

Invasive species including purple loosestrife, multiflora rose, and reed canary grass are present throughout the Site; however, these species, along with common reed, are prevalent in areas closest to anthropogenic impacts, including along State Route 299.

The gravel parking area located on the southern portion of the Site indicates that this area had been filled/graded to construct this feature at an unknown date.

2.3 DESCRIPTION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE RESOURCE VALUE

Value of Habitat to Associated Fauna

The Site and the surrounding coverts within one-half mile of the Site provide a variety of habitats available to both resident and migratory wildlife. However, invasive species such as purple loosestrife, multiflora rose, and common reed have degraded the wetland complex to some degree. The Site also appears to have been impacted by previous orcharding activities and ditching designed to drain the wetland. The most unique/beneficial value of the Site is the connection with a large, relatively unbroken tract of wetland habitat. The size of the wetland and the continuity of habitat provide value for many species.

The adjacent CHGE Eltings Corners Facility does not provide significant wildlife resource value in part due to lack of natural habitat and routine disturbance from site activities conducted by CHGE personnel, although some insects and birds such as house sparrows (*Passer domesticus*) and European starlings (*Sturnus vulgaris*) may find nesting sites on the Facility structures' exteriors.

Black Creek, various wetland complexes (including onsite wetland CD-6), crop fields, orchards, and upland habitat provide wildlife in the area with a matrix of habitat types to accommodate the life activities of various mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, insects, and fish.

The dwarf shrub bog, located south of the Site, is a Significant Natural Community as classified by NYSDEC. Dwarf shrub bogs are naturally acidic and have low nutrient loads which create a unique habitat for specialized plants such as leatherleaf (*Chamaedaphne calyculata*), black spruce (*Picea mariana*), and carnivorous plants. Although this community was not field-verified by Kleinfelder biologists, the dwarf shrub bog was confirmed in 1998 (NYNHP, 2014).

Value of Resources to Humans

Wetland complex CD-6 may provide areas for wildlife viewing; however, there are no publically accessible viewing areas. Opportunities for recreational hunting are limited by private landownership.

Black Creek may provide recreational opportunities for fishing although no publicly accessible fishing facilities are present within the vicinity of the Site. Black Creek is stocked routinely with brown trout although the location of the fish introduction in early 2014 was in Esopus, New York which is approximately seven miles downstream (NYSDEC, 2014c).

2.4 IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICABLE FISH AND WILDLIFE REGULATORY CRITERIA

Applicable regulatory criteria for the Site include the following federal and state regulations and guidance documents:

New York Environmental Conservation Laws (ECLs) and New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations (6 NYCRR):

- NYSDEC ECL Article 15, 6 New York Codes, Rules, and Regulations (NYCRR) Part 608: Use and Protection of Waters; and
- NYCDEC ECL Article 24, 6 NYCRR Part 663: Freshwater Wetlands Permit Requirements.

Criteria and Guidelines:

- NYSDEC *Screening and Assessment of Contaminated Sediment*, dated June 24, 2014.

Federal Regulations, Criteria, and Guidelines:

- US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) *US Clean Water Act*, Section 404; and
- US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) *National Guidance Water Quality Standards for Wetlands*, dated August 1994.

The objective of Step II, the contaminant-specific impact assessment, is to determine the impacts of Site-related contaminants on fish and wildlife resources. The following sections describe the results of the contaminant pathway analysis and the criteria-specific analysis.

3.1 **PATHWAY ANALYSIS**

Three remedial investigations have been conducted at the Site. Based on comprehensive subsurface and remedial investigations conducted at the Site and the adjacent CHGE Eltings Corners Facility, the contaminants of concern are typical for electrical utility storage and maintenance facilities and are limited to PAHs and PCBs. Prior to July 1, 1979, PCBs were commonly found in the dielectric fluid of electrical transformers and similar to those which were historically stored at the CHGE Eltings Corners Facility. PAHs are typically found within various fuels such as gasoline and diesel. Both gasoline and diesel fuels are stored at the Eltings Corners Facility for CHGE's fleet vehicles and other electrical equipment.

The storage and use of electrical equipment with PCB-containing dielectric fluid and fuels containing PAHs at the Eltings Corners Facility likely led to the incidental release of these fluids from the facility. PCBs and PAHs conceivably migrated from the Eltings Corners Facility via sheet flow of stormwater runoff into catch basins and into the Site via the stormwater discharge culvert under South Street. Impacted sediments were deposited into the wetland and continued to migrate further from the discharge point during subsequent rainfall events. Both PAHs and PCBs were detected in sediment samples collected from the Site in wetland CD-6. Samples collected immediately west of the stormwater discharge point had the highest concentrations detected. Contaminant concentrations gradually decreased as distance increased from the discharge location.

PAHs are organic pollutants and although some PAHs are naturally occurring, the largest fraction of PAHs found within natural environments can be attributed to anthropogenic activities (Rand et al., 2003). Some PAHs are mutagens, carcinogens, and teratogens with toxicity varying among compounds. PAHs in freshwater wetland systems tend to concentrate in sediment as a result of their low solubility and strong sorption to particulate matter; however,

PAHs can also evaporate or disperse in the water column (Rand et al., 2003). PAHs in aquatic sediments can also undergo chemical oxidation and/or biodegradation or persist indefinitely in anoxic conditions (Neff, 1979).

If not degraded within aquatic sediments, PAHs may also concentrate in aquatic biota through incidental consumption and via dermal contact (Rand et al., 2003). Some wildlife, including microorganisms, can metabolize select PAHs and may be able to fully degrade them (Eisler, 2007).

PCBs are classified as persistent organic pollutants. Once introduced into the environment, most PCBs do not readily degrade and can migrate long distances by adsorbing to particulate matter or sediments in water. PCBs can also bioaccumulate in wildlife with most PCBs stored in the lipid content of the organism. Predation of aquatic wildlife, including microorganisms, can further this bioaccumulation in organisms higher in the food chain.

Most plants do not readily bioaccumulate PCBs from contaminated soils. Because of this, the herbivory of Site vegetation is unlikely to transfer PCBs to other herbaceous organisms or their respective predators/scavengers.

3.2 CRITERIA-SPECIFIC ANALYSIS

The aforementioned pathway analysis indicates that there is a localized potential risk to wildlife resources utilizing the Site as habitat or for foraging opportunities. Contaminant concentrations within sediment samples collected at the Site were compared to the NYSDEC *Screening and Assessment of Contaminated Sediment* guidance. In accordance with the new 2014 guidance, *Class A sediments* are defined as sediments with no appreciable contamination and therefore are considered to present little or no likelihood of risk to aquatic life. *Class A sediments* do not require remedial action. *Class B sediments* are defined as having a potential for chronic toxicity to aquatic life; however, the degree and extent of the risk cannot be ascertained solely from the contaminant concentration. Additional data is required for the toxicity determination. *Class C sediments* are defined as having high levels of contamination and present a significant risk of acute toxicity to aquatic life.

The Class A, B, and C contaminant thresholds for total PAHs and total PCBs as provided in the 2014 NYSDEC Freshwater Sediment Guidance Values are outlined below:

Table A. NYSDEC Freshwater Sediment Guidance Values

| Compound | Class A | Class B | Class C |
|------------|---------|----------------|---------|
| Total PAHs | < 4,000 | 4,000 – 35,000 | >35,000 |
| Total PCBs | < 100 | 100 – 1,000 | >1,000 |

Notes:

All values in µg/kg or parts per billion (ppb).

The following sections outline the scope of work of the 2013 wetland investigation.

Analytical results of sediment sampling conducted from the previous environmental investigations are provided in **Table 3** and are depicted on **Figures 5 and 6**.

Sediment samples were collected to obtain both horizontal and vertical delineation of PCB- and PAH-impacted sediments at the Site. Samples were analyzed for PCBs and PAHs at a New York State Department of Health Environmental Laboratory Approval Program (ELAP) -certified laboratory.

PAHs

Total PAH concentrations were compared to the NYSDEC Screening and Assessment for Contaminated Sediment which identifies three classes of PAH-contaminated sediment: Class A sediments which have an upper limit of 4,000 micrograms per kilogram (µg/kg); Class B sediments which have an upper limit of 35,000 µg/kg; and Class C sediments which exceed the Class B upper limit of 35,000 µg/kg.

A total of 147 sediment samples were collected and analyzed for PAHs. Of those 147 samples, PAHs were detected in 92 samples at concentrations ranging from 12 to 202,190 µg/kg. A total of 25 samples fall within the Class B range and eight (8) samples fall within the Class C sediment category.

PAH-impacted sediments are generally confined to the main wetland stream channel and outward to approximately 25 feet north and 25 feet south of the wetland stream channel. The PAH-impacted sediments are confined within the distribution of PCB-impacted sediments within the wetland.

PCBs

Total PCB concentrations were compared to the NYSDEC Screening and Assessment for Contaminated Sediment which identifies three classes of PCB-contaminated sediment: Class A sediments which have an upper limit of less than 100 µg/kg; Class B sediments which have a threshold of 100 to 1,000 µg/kg; and Class C sediments which exceed the Class B upper limit of 1,000 µg/kg.

A total of 213 sediment samples were collected and analyzed for PCBs; of those 213 samples, total PCBs were detected in 135 samples at concentrations ranging from an estimated 2.7 to 12,600 µg/kg. Total PCBs detected at levels ranging from 100 to 1,000 µg/kg (Class B sediments) in 37 sediment samples. Total PCBs detected at levels exceeding 1,000 µg/kg (Class C sediments) were detected in 27 sediment samples.

Overall, PCB exceedances are more widespread both horizontally and vertically than total PAH-impacted sediments. PCB exceedances were detected in sediments sampled 75 feet south and 50 feet north of the wetland stream channel. Additionally, all locations with total PAH impacts also have PCB impacts, with the exception of one location, SB-48, where only PAHs were detected. The PCB- and PAH-impacted sediments have been delineated on the Site and do not extend offsite.

4 CONCLUSIONS

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The results of the FWIA Step I and Step IIA and B indicate that there is a localized potential for ecological resources utilizing the Site to be impacted by the contaminants of concern present at the Site. Organisms could be affected through incidental ingestion, direct contact, or bioaccumulation of both PCBs and PAHs. These contaminants of concern have migrated westward away from the outfall discharge location but are limited to impacted sediments on the Site.

Based on the findings of this assessment, remedial actions are warranted to be protective of the ecological resources utilizing the Site and to prevent any further migration of impacted sediments to offsite locations.

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Table 1
Onsite Vegetative Species List
 CHGE Eltings Corners Facility - Wetland
 Lloyd, NY

| Common Name | Scientific Name |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Trees | |
| Red Maple | <i>Acer rubrum</i> |
| Green Ash | <i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> |
| Eastern Cottonwood | <i>Populus deltoides</i> |
| Black Willow | <i>Salix nigra</i> |
| Weeping Willow | <i>Salix babylonica</i> |
| Shrubs | |
| red osier dogwood | <i>Cornus sericea</i> |
| silky dogwood | <i>Cornus amomum</i> |
| multiflora rose | <i>Rosa multiflora</i> |
| Herbaceous | |
| Swamp Milkweed | <i>Asclepias incarnata</i> |
| Jewelweed | <i>Impatiens capensis</i> |
| Purple Loosestrife | <i>Lythrum salicaria</i> |
| Common Reed | <i>Phragmites australis</i> |
| Ferns | |
| Sensitive Fern | <i>Onoclea sensibilis</i> |
| Cinnamon Fern | <i>Osmunda cinnamomea</i> |
| Christmas fern | <i>Polystichum acrostichoides</i> |
| Vines | |
| Poison Ivy | <i>Toxicodendron radicans</i> |
| Fox Grape | <i>Vitis labrusca</i> |
| Sedges | |
| Lurid sedge | <i>Carex lurida</i> |
| Tussock sedge | <i>Carex stricta</i> |

Table 2
Surface Water Physical Parameter Data
CHGE Eltings Corners Facility - Wetland
Lloyd, New York

| Location | Water Depth (Inches) | Flow Rate (Feet/Second) | Temperature (°C) | Specific Conductivity (µS/cm) | pH | Dissolved Oxygen (mg/L) | Turbidity (NTU) |
|----------|-------------------------|----------------------------|------------------|----------------------------------|------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Outfall | 1 | <0.5 | 15 | 0.526 | 7.84 | 4.45 | 105 |
| SP-2 | 1 | <0.5 | 15.1 | 0.532 | 7.97 | 4.98 | 23 |
| SP-5 | 3 | <0.5 | 15.2 | 0.533 | 8.11 | 4.94 | 19 |
| SP-8 | 3 | <0.5 | 15.4 | 0.539 | 8.28 | 5.22 | 14 |
| SP-11 | 2 | 0.5 | 15.8 | 0.54 | 8.51 | 6.08 | 21 |
| SP-22 | 3 | 3* | 9.1 | 0.421 | 6.7 | 11.4 | 0 |
| SP-25 | 4 | 16* | 8.8 | 0.41 | 7.1 | 11.11 | 1 |
| SP-28 | 3 | 4* | 8.5 | 0.41 | 7.33 | 10.74 | 1 |

Notes:

* Instrument calibrated for kilometers per hour

mg/L: milligrams per Liter

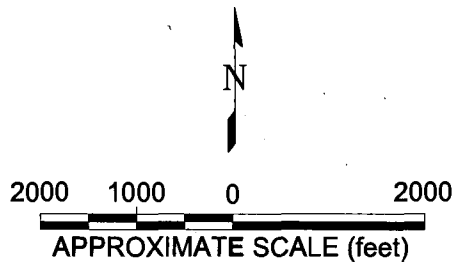
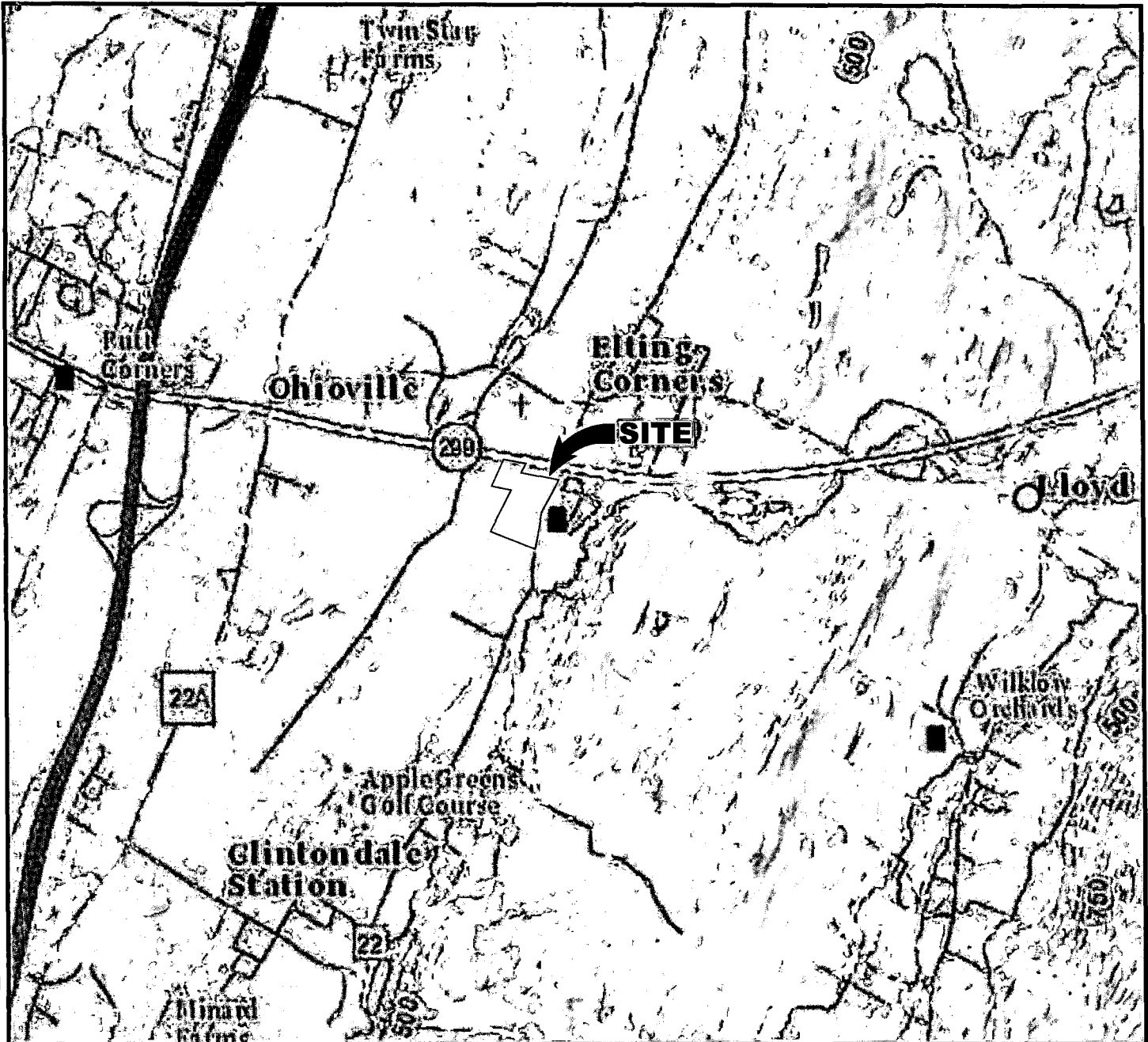
NTU: Nephelometric Turbidity Units

Table 3
CHGE Eltings Corners Facility, Lloyd, New York
Sediment Analytical Results
Summary of Total PCBs and Total PAH Concentrations

| Transect | 75' South of stream channel | | | 50' South of stream channel | | | 25' South of stream channel | | | Centerline of stream channel | | | 25' North of stream channel | | | 50' North of stream channel | | |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) | Sample Location | Total PCBs (µg/kg) | Total PAH's (µg/kg) |
| North of Route 299 | | | | | | | SP40 0-0.5 | ND | na | SP41 0-0.5 | ND | ND | SP42 0-0.5 | ND | na | | | |
| | | | | | | | SP40 1-1.5 | ND | na | SP41 1-1.5 | ND | ND | SP42 1-1.5 | ND | na | | | |
| | | | | | | | SP40 1.5-2 | ND | na | SP41 1.5-2 | ND | na | SP42 1.5-2 | ND | na | | | |
| | | | | | | | SP40 2-2.5 | na | na | SP41 2-2.5 | na | na | SP42 2-2.5 | na | na | | | |
| | | | | | | | SP40 2.5-3 | na | na | SP41 2.5-3 | na | na | SP42 2.5-3 | na | na | | | |
| South of Route 299 | | | | | | | SP37 0-0.5 | ND | na | SP38 0-0.5 | ND | ND | SP39 0-0.5 | 2,900 | 2,164 | SB59 0-0.5' | 21 J | na |
| | | | | | | | SP37 1-1.5 | ND | na | SP38 1-1.5 | ND | ND | SP39 1-1.5 | 27J | ND | SB59 1-1.5' | 9.6 J | na |
| | | | | | | | SP37 1.5-2 | ND | na | SP38 1.5-2 | ND | na | SP39 1.5-2 | ND | na | SB59 1.5-2' | 16 J | na |
| | | | | | | | SP37 2-2.5 | na | na | SP38 2-2.5 | na | na | SP39 2-2.5 | na | na | SB59 2-2.5' | 15 J | na |
| | | | | | | | SP37 2.5-3 | na | na | SP38 2.5-3 | na | na | SP39 2.5-3 | na | na | SB59 2.5-3' | ND | na |
| 800-foot | | | | SB57 0-0.5' | 610 | na | SP34 0-0.5 | 400 | 941 | SP35 0-0.5 | 110 | 93 | SP36 0-0.5 | 69J | ND | SB58 0-0.5' | 16 J | na |
| | | | | SB57 1-1.5' | ND | na | SP34 1-1.5 | ND | na | SP35 1-1.5 | ND | na | SP36 1-1.5 | ND | na | SB58 1-1.5' | 7.9 J | na |
| | | | | SB57 1.5-2' | ND | na | SP34 1.5-2 | ND | ND | SP35 1.5-2 | ND | ND | SP36 1.5-2 | ND | ND | SB58 1.5-2' | ND | na |
| | | | | SB57 2-2.5' | na | na | SP34 2-2.5 | na | na | SP35 2-2.5 | na | na | SP36 2-2.5 | na | na | SB58 2-2.5' | E&A | na |
| | | | | SB57 2.5-3' | na | na | SP34 2.5-3 | na | na | SP35 2.5-3 | na | na | SP36 2.5-3 | na | na | SB58 2.5-3' | E&A | na |
| 700-foot | | | | SB52 0-0.5' | 35 | 432 | SB53 0-0.5' | 24 J | ND | SB54 0-0.5' | ND | 46 | SB55 0-0.5' | 38 | 834 | SB58 0-0.5' | 71 | 290 |
| | | | | SB52 1-1.5' | ND | ND | SB53 1-1.5' | ND | ND | SB54 1-1.5' | ND | 55 | SB55 1-1.5' | ND | 30 | SB56 1-1.5' | 17 J | 33 |
| | | | | SB52 1.5-2' | ND | ND | SB53 1.5-2' | ND | ND | SB54 1.5-2' | ND | 34 | SB55 1.5-2' | ND | ND | SB56 1.5-2' | ND | 27 |
| | | | | SB52 2-2.5' | na | na | SB53 2-2.5' | na | na | SB54 2-2.5' | na | na | SB55 2-2.5' | na | na | SB56 2-2.5' | na | na |
| | | | | SB52 2.5-3' | na | na | SB53 2.5-3' | na | na | SB54 2.5-3' | na | na | SB55 2.5-3' | na | na | SB56 2.5-3' | na | na |
| 600-foot | | | | SB47 0-0.5' | 590 | 3182 | SB48 0-0.5' | 55 | 7,465 | SB49 0-0.5' | 27 | 300 | SB50 0-0.5' | 80 | 2,320 | SB51 0-0.5' | 110 | 1,253 |
| | | | | SB47 1-1.5' | ND | ND | SB48 1-1.5' | 4.6 J | ND | SB49 1-1.5' | 26 | 190 | SB50 1-1.5' | ND | 69 | SB51 1-1.5' | ND | ND |
| | | | | SB47 1.5-2' | 5.5 J | ND | SB48 1.5-2' | ND | 27 | SB49 1.5-2' | 34 | 575 | SB50 1.5-2' | ND | 56 | SB51 1.5-2' | ND | ND |
| | | | | SB47 2-2.5' | ND | na | SB48 2-2.5' | na | na | SB49 2-2.5' | 4.7 J | 61 | SB50 2-2.5' | na | na | SB51 2-2.5' | na | na |
| | | | | SB47 2.5-3' | ND | na | SB48 2.5-3' | na | na | SB49 2.5-3' | 5.4 J | 64 | SB50 2.5-3' | na | na | SB51 2.5-3' | na | na |
| 500-foot | SB46 0-0.5' | 26 | na | SP33 0-0.5 | 130 | 92 | 27A 0-6" | 1,500 | 9,574 | 28A 0-6" | 570 | 17,298 | 29A 0-6" | 15J | 145 | | | |
| | SB46 1-1.5' | ND | na | SP33 1-1.5 | ND | ND | 27B 12-18" | 110 | 12,135 | 28B 12-18" | 3,000 | 25,916 | 29B 12-18" | ND | ND | | | |
| | SB46 1.5-2' | ND | na | SP33 1.5-2 | ND | ND | 27C 18-24" | 19J | 780 | 28C 18-24" | 3,300 | 21,865 | 29C 18-24" | ND | ND | | | |
| | SB46 2-2.5' | na | na | SP33 2-2.5 | na | na | | | | SP28 2-2.5 | ND | ND | | | | | | |
| | SB46 2.5-3' | na | na | SP33 2.5-3 | na | na | | | | SP28 2.5-3 | na | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB28 3-3.5' | 1,500 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB28 3.5-4' | 28 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB28 4-4.5' | ND | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB28 4.5-5' | ND | na | | | | | | |
| 400-foot | SB45 0-0.5' | ND | na | SP32 0-0.5 | 290 | 980 | 24A 0-6" | 1,100 | 9,939 | 25A 0-6" | 3,900 | 22,700 | 26A 0-6" | 15J | ND | | | |
| | SB45 1-1.5' | ND | na | SP32 1-1.5 | ND | na | 24B 12-18" | 66 | 266 | 25B 12-18" | 2,500 | 27,317 | 26B 12-18" | ND | ND | | | |
| | SB45 1.5-2' | ND | na | SP32 1.5-2 | ND | ND | 24C 18-24" | 42 | 401 | 25C 18-24" | 360 | 8,584 | 26C 18-24" | ND | ND | | | |
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| | SB45 2.5-3' | na | na | SP32 2.5-3 | na | na | | | | SB25 2.5-3' | 510 | 4,089 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB25 3-3.5 | Refusal | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | 20C 18-24" | 4J | ND | 10C 18-24" | 210 | na | 11C 18-24" | 1,490 | 84,950 | 12C 18-24" | 29 | na | 16C 18-24" | ND | ND |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB11 2-2.5' | 330 | 1,346 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB11 2.5-3' | 33 | 44 | | | | | | |
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| | | | | | | | | | | SB11 4.5-5' | Refusal | | | | | | | |
| 100-foot | | | | 19A 0-6" | 9J | 153 | 7A 0-6" | 900 | 7,780 | 8A 0-6" | 3,200 | 49,040 | 9A 0-6" | 310 | 10,136 | 15A 0-6" | 27J | 844 |
| | | | | 19B 12-18" | 4.8J | ND | 7B 12-18" | 74 | ND | 8B 12-18" | 1,500 | 17,793 | 9B 12-18" | 28 | 72 | 15B 12-18" | 3.1J | ND |
| | | | | 19C 18-24" | ND | ND | 7C 18-24" | 4.7J | na | 8C 18-24" | 1,200 | 24,149 | 9C 18-24" | 9J | na | 15C 18-24" | ND | ND |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP8 2-2.5 | 87 | ND | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP8 2.5-3 | 96 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB8 3-3.5' | 68 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB8 3.5-4' | 26 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB8 4-4.5' | ND | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB8 4.5-5' | 280 | na | | | | | | |
| 50-foot | | | | 18A 0-6" | 17J | 114 | 4A 0-6" | 5,500 | 54,302 | 5A 0-6" | 530 | 202,190 | 6A 0-6" | 890 | 50,099 | 14A 0-6" | 33 | 485 |
| | | | | 18B 12-18" | ND | ND | 4B 12-18" | 300 | 76 | 5B 12-18" | 4,700 | 50,236 | 6B 12-18" | 23 | ND | 14B 12-18" | 4.5J | 80 |
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| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 2-2.5' | 320 | 19,940 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 2.5-3' | 45 | 285 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 3-3.5' | 12,500 | 192 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 3.5-4' | 66 | 16 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 4-4.5' | 140 | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SB5 4.5-5' | 8.4 J | na | | | | | | |
| 25-foot | | | | 17A 0-6" | 7.3J | ND | 1A 0-6" | 2,100 | 24,756 | 2A 0-6" | 940 | 26,470 | 3A 0-6" | 6,200 | 20,474 | 13A 0-6" | 26J | 236 |
| | | | | 17B 12-18" | 2.7J | ND | 1B 12-18" | 2,300 | 1,770 | 2B 12-18" | 2,000 | 3,334 | 3B 12-18" | 270 | 854 | 13B 12-18" | ND | ND |
| | | | | 17C 18-24" | ND | ND | 1C 18-24" | 1,100 | 280 | 2C 18-24" | 2,510 | 13,434 | 3C 18-24" | 87 | na | 13C 18-24" | ND | ND |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP2 2-2.5 | 430 | 24 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP2 2.5-3 | ND | ND | | | | | | |
| Upgradient Fire pond | | | | | | | | | | SP43 0-0.5 | ND | ND | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP43 1-1.5 | ND | ND | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP43 1.5-2 | ND | ND | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP43 2-2.5 | na | na | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | SP43 2.5-3 | na | na | | | | | | |

NOTES:
E&A - Extracted and Archived
na - not analyzed
ND - not detected
µg/kg - microgram per kilogram
Yellow Shading Denotes Class B Sediment for PCBs: 100-1000 ppb
Yellow Shading Denotes Class B Sediment for PAHs: 4,000-35,000 ppb
Red Shading Denotes Class C Sediment for PCBs: > 1000 ppb
Red Shading Denotes Class C Sediment for PAHs: > 35,000 ppb

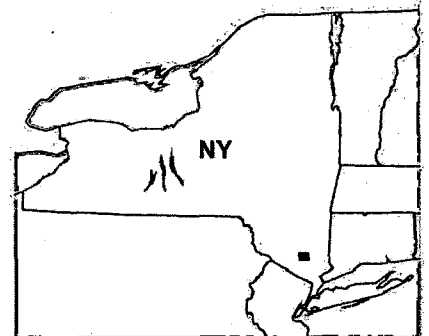
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SITE LOCATION MAP

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION
ELTING CORNERS FACILITY - SITE WETLAND
LLOYD, NEW YORK

FIGURE

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LEGEND

- SITE BOUNDARY
- ← DRAINAGE FLOW
- OUTFALL

600 300 0 600
APPROXIMATE SCALE (feet)

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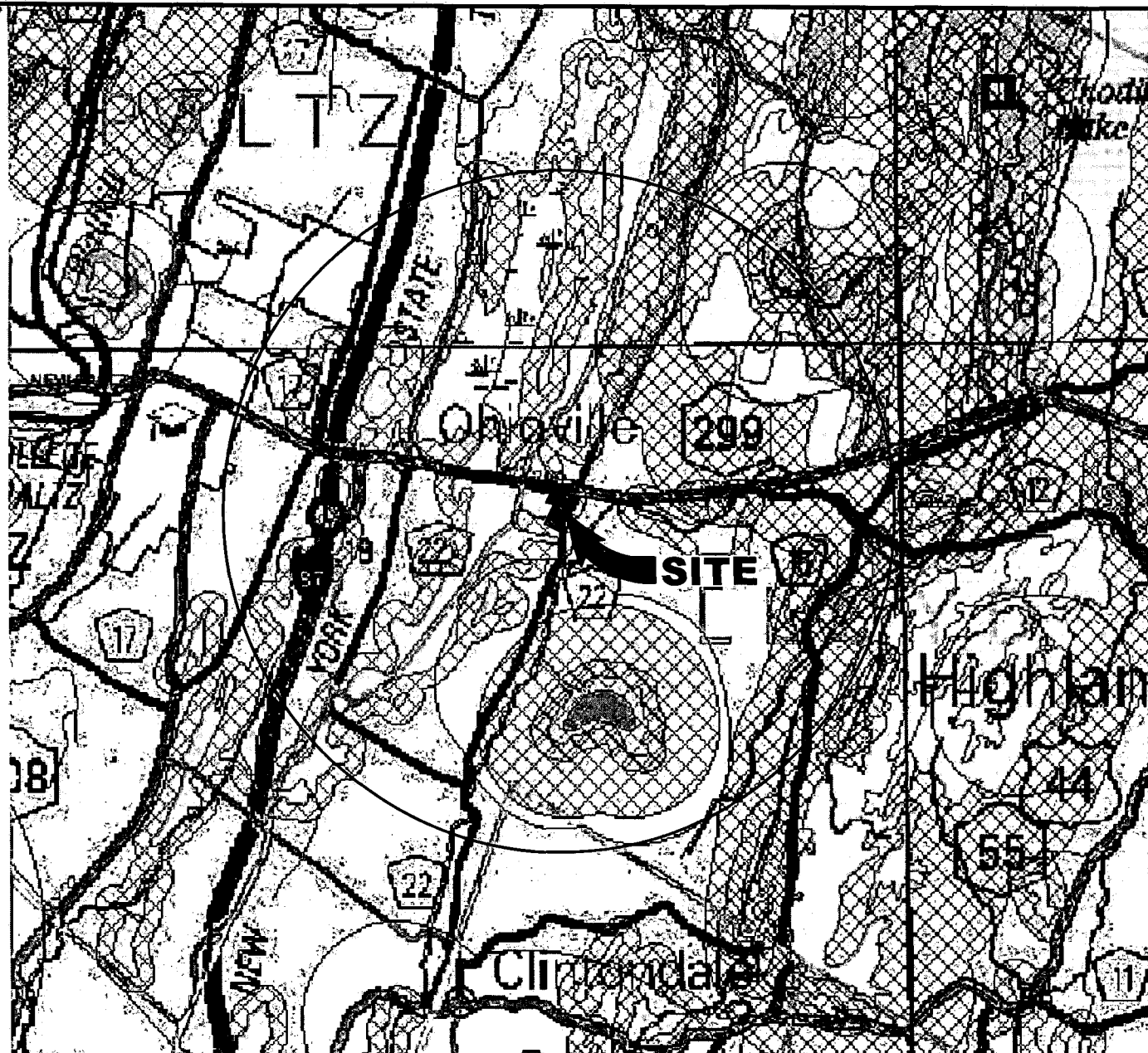
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SITE PLAN

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION
 ELTING CORNERS FACILITY - SITE WETLAND
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FIGURE

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APPROXIMATE SCALE (feet)

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LEGEND

- Classified Water Bodies
- Unique Geological Features
- Classified Water Bodies
- State-Regulated Freshwater Wetlands
- Wetland Checkzone
- Rare Plants and Rare Animals
- Significant Natural Communities
- Natural Communities Vicinity
- Background Map



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SIGNIFICANT ECOLOGICAL COMMUNITIES

CENTRAL HUDSON GAS & ELECTRIC CORPORATION
 ELTING CORNERS FACILITY - SITE WETLAND
 LLOYD, NEW YORK

FIGURE

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LEGEND

- | | | | |
|--|---|--|----------------------------|
| | FORESTED UPLAND | | UNPAVED PATH |
| | FORESTED/ SCRUB-SHRUB WETLANDS | | PAVED ROAD/ MOWED ROADSIDE |
| | EMERGENT WETLANDS | | RIPARIAN |
| | FRESHWATER LAKE/ POND | | FORMER RAILROAD |
| | STORMWATER BASIN | | PROPERTY BOUNDARY |
| | URBAN STRUCTURE/ PAVED ROAD/ UNPAVED ROAD | | |
| | CROPLAND | | |
| | MOWED LAWN WITH TREES/ RURAL STRUCTURES | | |
| | ORCHARD | | |

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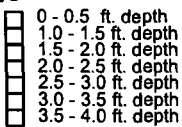
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FIGURE

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X Equipment Refusal

■ Class A (<4,000 ppb)

□ Class B (4,000 - 35,000 ppb)

■ Class C (>35,000 ppb)

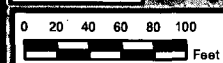
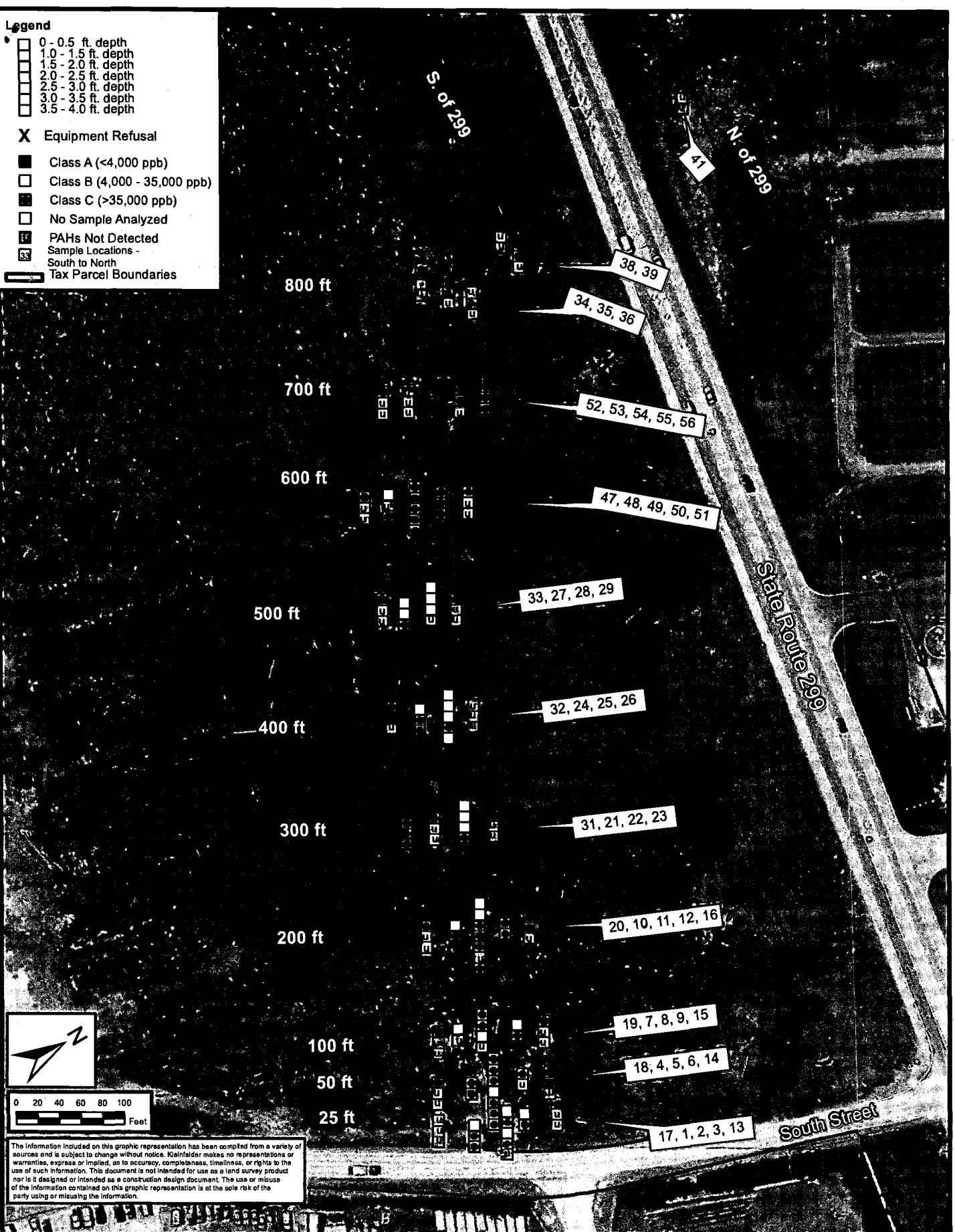
□ No Sample Analyzed

■ PAHs Not Detected

Sample Locations -

South to North

— Tax Parcel Boundaries



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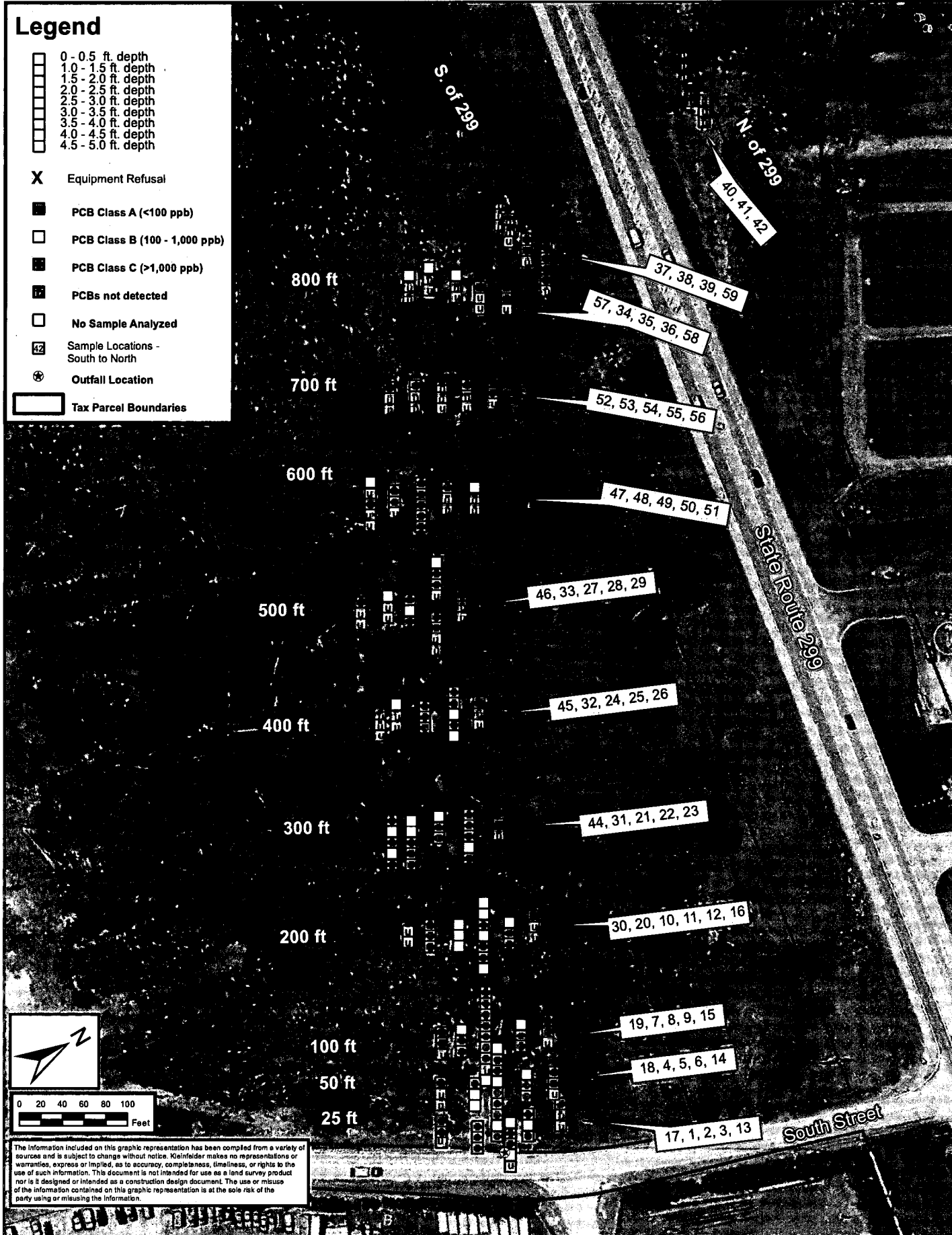
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FIGURE

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Legend

- 0 - 0.5 ft. depth
- 1.0 - 1.5 ft. depth
- 1.5 - 2.0 ft. depth
- 2.0 - 2.5 ft. depth
- 2.5 - 3.0 ft. depth
- 3.0 - 3.5 ft. depth
- 3.5 - 4.0 ft. depth
- 4.0 - 4.5 ft. depth
- 4.5 - 5.0 ft. depth
- X Equipment Refusal
- PCB Class A (<100 ppb)
- PCB Class B (100 - 1,000 ppb)
- PCB Class C (>1,000 ppb)
- PCBs not detected
- No Sample Analyzed
- Sample Locations - South to North
- Outfall Location
- Tax Parcel Boundaries



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FIGURE
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APPENDIX A

NYSDEC Breeding Bird Atlas: Block 5761A Summary



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NYS Breeding Bird Atlas

Block 5761A

2000-2005



Navigation Tools

Perform Another Search
Show All Records
Sort by Field Card Order
Sort by Taxonomic Order
View 1985 Data

Block 5761A Summary

| | |
|----------------|----|
| Total Species: | 57 |
| Possible: | 24 |
| Probable: | 19 |
| Confirmed: | 14 |

Click on column heading to sort by that category.

List of Species Breeding in Atlas Block 5761A

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Behavior Code | Date | NY Legal Status |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Canada Goose | <i>Branta canadensis</i> | FL | 5/19/2004 | Game Species |
| Wood Duck | <i>Aix sponsa</i> | FL | 5/19/2004 | Game Species |
| Wild Turkey | <i>Meleagris gallopavo</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Game Species |
| Great Blue Heron | <i>Ardea herodias</i> | X1 | 5/19/2004 | Protected |
| Green Heron | <i>Butorides virescens</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Turkey Vulture | <i>Cathartes aura</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Red-tailed Hawk | <i>Buteo jamaicensis</i> | X1 | 5/19/2004 | Protected |
| American Woodcock | <i>Scolopax minor</i> | D2 | 3/22/2005 | Game Species |
| Mourning Dove | <i>Zenaida macroura</i> | FL | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Chimney Swift | <i>Chaetura pelagica</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Belted Kingfisher | <i>Megaceryle alcyon</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Red-bellied Woodpecker | <i>Melanerpes carolinus</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Downy Woodpecker | <i>Picoides pubescens</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Hairy Woodpecker | <i>Picoides villosus</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Northern Flicker | <i>Colaptes auratus</i> | X1 | 5/19/2004 | Protected |
| Eastern Wood-Pewee | <i>Contopus virens</i> | T2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Willow Flycatcher | <i>Empidonax traillii</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |

| | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|----|-----------|--------------|
| Eastern Phoebe | <i>Sayornis phoebe</i> | P2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Great Crested Flycatcher | <i>Myiarchus crinitus</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Eastern Kingbird | <i>Tyrannus tyrannus</i> | D2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Warbling Vireo | <i>Vireo gilvus</i> | S2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Red-eyed Vireo | <i>Vireo olivaceus</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Blue Jay | <i>Cyanocitta cristata</i> | X1 | 5/19/2004 | Protected |
| American Crow | <i>Corvus brachyrhynchos</i> | FY | 6/4/2004 | Game Species |
| Barn Swallow | <i>Hirundo rustica</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Black-capped Chickadee | <i>Poecile atricapillus</i> | FL | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| White-breasted Nuthatch | <i>Sitta carolinensis</i> | P2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Carolina Wren | <i>Thryothorus ludovicianus</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| House Wren | <i>Troglodytes aedon</i> | D2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Eastern Bluebird | <i>Sialia sialis</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Veery | <i>Catharus fuscescens</i> | S2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Wood Thrush | <i>Hylocichla mustelina</i> | D2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| American Robin | <i>Turdus migratorius</i> | FY | 5/19/2004 | Protected |
| Gray Catbird | <i>Dumetella carolinensis</i> | FY | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Northern Mockingbird | <i>Mimus polyglottos</i> | X1 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Brown Thrasher | <i>Toxostoma rufum</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| European Starling | <i>Sturnus vulgaris</i> | FY | 6/4/2004 | Unprotected |
| Cedar Waxwing | <i>Bombycilla cedrorum</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Blue-winged Warbler | <i>Vermivora pinus</i> | S2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Yellow Warbler | <i>Dendroica petechia</i> | FY | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Chestnut-sided Warbler | <i>Dendroica pensylvanica</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| American Redstart | <i>Setophaga ruticilla</i> | T2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Ovenbird | <i>Seiurus aurocapilla</i> | S2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Common Yellowthroat | <i>Geothlypis trichas</i> | T2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Eastern Towhee | <i>Pipilo erythrophthalmus</i> | T2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Chipping Sparrow | <i>Spizella passerina</i> | T2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Song Sparrow | <i>Melospiza melodia</i> | FY | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Northern Cardinal | <i>Cardinalis cardinalis</i> | S2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |

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|------------------------|--------------------------------|----|-----------|-------------|
| Rose-breasted Grosbeak | <i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i> | NY | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Indigo Bunting | <i>Passerina cyanea</i> | S2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Red-winged Blackbird | <i>Agelaius phoeniceus</i> | FY | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| Common Grackle | <i>Quiscalus quiscula</i> | FS | 6/14/2004 | Protected |
| Brown-headed Cowbird | <i>Molothrus ater</i> | S2 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| Baltimore Oriole | <i>Icterus galbula</i> | NY | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| House Finch | <i>Carpodacus mexicanus</i> | T2 | 6/4/2004 | Protected |
| American Goldfinch | <i>Spinus tristis</i> | X1 | 6/12/2005 | Protected |
| House Sparrow | <i>Passer domesticus</i> | X1 | 5/19/2004 | Unprotected |

Current Date: 7/10/2014

APPENDIX B

NYSDEC Herp Atlas, Survey Block Clintondale Quadrangle

Appendix B
NYSDEC Herp Atlas Data 1990-1999
Clintondale Quadrangle Data

| Common Name | Scientific Name | Status | Likely to Occur on the Site or nearby Vicinity? |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| Salamanders & Related Taxa | | | |
| Marbled Salamander | <i>Ambystoma opacum</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Jefferson Salamander | <i>Ambystoma jeffersonianum</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Blue-Spotted Salamander | <i>Ambystoma laterale</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Spotted Salamander | <i>Ambystoma maculatum</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Red-Spotted Newt | <i>Notophthalmus v. viridescens</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Northern Dusky Salamander | <i>Desmognathus fuscus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Allegheny Dusky Salamander | <i>Desmognathus ochrophaeus</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Northern Redback Salamander | <i>Plethodon c. cinereus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Slimy Salamander | <i>Plethodon glutinosus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Four-toed Salamander | <i>Hemidactylum scutatum</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Northern Spring Salamander | <i>Gyrinophilus p. porphyriticus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Red Salamander | <i>Pseudotriton r. ruber</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Two-lined Salamander | <i>Eurycea bislineata</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Toads | | | |
| American Toad | <i>Bufo a. americanus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Fowler's Toad | <i>Bufo fowleri</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Frogs | | | |
| Northern Cricket Frog | <i>Acris c. crepitans</i> | NYS: Endangered; Federal: Not Listed | Yes |
| Gray Treefrog | <i>Hyla versicolor</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Spring Peeper | <i>Pseudacris c. crucifer</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Bullfrog | <i>Rana catesbeiana</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Green Frog | <i>Rana clamitans melanota</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Wood Frog | <i>Rana sylvatica</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Leopard Frog | <i>Rana pipiens</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Pickerel Frog | <i>Rana palustris</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Turtles | | | |
| Common Snapping Turtle | <i>Chelydra s. serpentina</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Common Musk Turtle | <i>Stemotherus odoratus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Spotted Turtle | <i>Clemmys guttata</i> | NYS: Special Concern; Federal: Not Listed | Yes |
| Wood Turtle | <i>Clemmys insculpta</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Eastern Box Turtle | <i>Terrapene c. carolina</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Common Map Turtle | <i>Graptemys geographica</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Painted Turtle | <i>Chrysemys picta</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Blandings Turtle | <i>Emydoidea blandingii</i> | NYS: Threatened; Federal: Not Listed | No |
| Lizards | | | |
| Five-lined Skink | <i>Eumeces fasciatus</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Snakes | | | |
| Northern Water Snake | <i>Nerodia s. sipedon</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Brown Snake | <i>Storeria d. dekayi</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Common Garter Snake | <i>Thamnophis sirtalis</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Eastern Ribbon Snake | <i>Thamnophis sauritus</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Eastern Hognose Snake | <i>Heterodon platirhinos</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Northern Ringneck Snake | <i>Diadophis punctatus edwardsii</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Black Racer | <i>Coluber c. constrictor</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Black Rat Snake | <i>Elaphe o. obsoleta</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Eastern Milk Snake | <i>Lampropeltis t. triangulum</i> | Not Listed | Yes |
| Northern Copperhead | <i>Agkistrodon contortrix mokasen</i> | Not Listed | No |
| Timber Rattlesnake | <i>Crotalus horridus</i> | NYS: Threatened; Federal: Not Listed | No |