

# Great Lakes NWI Field Verification: *Directions for Map Selected Sites*



Enclosed in this packet are: (1) a set of maps for wetlands and their surrounding area, (2) wetland classification documents, (3) volunteer timesheet and instructions. Wetlands have been randomly selected for field verification but have been limited to within 90 meters of a road to allow verification from the roadside. **Please respect private property rights.**

## Preparations:

1. Review the Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats Classification diagram and the Great Lakes NWI Field Verification: Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats Classification Descriptions document. If you are not already, familiarize yourself with the wetland classifications employed by the NWI (see <http://www.fws.gov/nwi/> ).
2. Review the wetland's maps and determine the wetland's location.

## In the field:

3. Identify the wetland's class. Consult the classification documents and circle the corresponding classification on the wetland's map.
5. Photograph the wetland. Record on the wetland's map the photograph's number and in what direction the photograph was taken by drawing an arrow on the map. If using a disposable provided by Ducks Unlimited, record the camera's number as well.
6. Write any additional comments or notes concerning the classification in the comments section of the wetland's map.

## Finishing:

7. Burn all photographs onto CD.
8. Return the wetland's map and photo CD to Ducks Unlimited.
8. Please record the dates and time you spent doing the field verification and send with the wetland maps. This data will be used for reporting and tracking the time used for field verification.
9. You're done. Thanks for your time and help!

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