**APPENDIX A**

**Mitigation Monitoring and Performance Standards Summary Table Template**

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Mitigation Project or Bank Name:

Monitoring Date(s):

Monitoring Year (e.g., Year 2 of 10):

This monitoring measurements summary sheet must be filled out in its entirety and attached to the monitoring report for the monitoring report to be considered complete. Refer to the ECOLOGICAL PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND MONITORING PROTOCOL FOR NONTIDAL WETLAND MITIGATION SITES IN MARYLAND document for additional information on the required measurements. The tables below are meant as examples and may need to be revised based upon the approved site-specific performance standards.

**Wetland**

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| Plot  | Vegetation – Biotic Structure |
| % dominant plant species across all strata that are OBL, FACW, or FAC | % vegetated by native wetland (FAC or wetter) species | % relative cover that is non-native or invasive species[[1]](#footnote-1) | # native wetland tree and/or shrub species (FAC or wetter)1 | % relative cover of most dominant tree/shrub species. Include species name1  | Is relative cover Loblolly Pine > 35% of tree/shrub species?  | # native wetland (FAC or wetter) trees/ shrubs per acre with height > 10” | Average height of tallest five native wetland (FAC or wetter) trees | % canopy cover of native wetland (FAC or wetter) trees/ shrubs |
| # | % | % | % | N/A |  | % |  | ft. | % |
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| # | % | % | % | N/A |  | % |  | ft. | % |
| Entire site | % | % | % |  |  | Y/N |  | ft. | % |

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| Plot or well | Hydrology | Soils | Overall |
| % inundated or saturated to surface on dates of site visit(s) | % wetland restoration/ creation with wetland hydrology (based on well data) | % wetland restoration/ creation that meets Hydric Soil Technical Standard (Tech. Note 11) for saturated conditions: has free water within 10” of ground surface for > 14 consecutive days | % wetland restoration/ creation that meets Hydric Soil Technical Standard (Technical Note 11) for anaerobic conditions: anaerobic conditions exist within 10” of the ground surface for > 14 consecutive days, as determined by IRT-approved methods (e.g., reaction to alpha-alpha dipyridyl, IRIS technology, platinum electrodes)  | % establishing into wetland (based on vegetation, hydrology, and soils) and the type of wetland (e.g., forested, scrub-shrub, emergent)  |
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| Plot | Soil Modifications | Physical Structure | Delineation at mid-term and final year of monitoring consistent with approved mitigation plan? |
| Topsoil: Depth (inches) and % soil organic matter | Bulk Density: by subsoil texture (lbs/cubic foot) | Microtopography- % microtopography (i.e., 3-6 inch from design elevation) | Woody Debris- present at density and type approved in mitigation plan |
| # | in | % | lbs/ft3 | % | Y/N |  |
| # | in | % | lbs/ft3 | % | Y/N |  |
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| Entire | in | % | lbs/ft3 | % | Y/N | Y/N |

**Buffer**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Plot | % vegetated by native species | % relative cover that is non-native or invasive species1 | # native trees/ shrubs per acre with height > 10 inches | Average height of tallest five native trees | % canopy cover of native trees and shrubs | % establishing into forest  |
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| Entire site | % | % |  | ft. | % | % |

1. This performance standard does not need to be met for each plot, field, or cell, but instead for the entire site. It should be based on averages of plot, field, or cell data, with potential consideration of visual estimates from the overall site. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)