Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States, Version 9.0 Errata

Corrections for Version 9.1 (April 2025)

Page 6: Observe and Document the Soil

Change

Indicators that have requirements that allow a chroma of **greater than 2** can also have a chroma of **greater than 2** above the layer or layers meeting the requirement of the indicator. Indicators that require a chroma of 2 or less only permit a chroma of **2 or more** within a zone thinner than 6 inches above it, and the remainder of the material above the indicator must have a chroma of 2 or less (fig. 4).

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Page 6: Figure 4

Change

The lower portion of this soil profile meets the color and depth requirements of indicator F3, Depleted Matrix; however, the upper portion of the profile contains a layer with chroma of **2 or more** that is more than 15 cm (6 inches) thick. As a result, the requirements of indicator F3, Depleted Matrix, are not met. **to**

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Corrections for Version 9.2 (September 2025)

Throughout

Wording changes to improve consistency

Page 12: A2 User Notes

Change

The surface horizon of most histic epipedons has organic soil material 20 cm (8 inches) or more thick... to

Most histic epipedons are composed of surface horizons with organic soil material 20 cm (8 inches) or more thick...

Page 15: A11

Change

... starting at a **depth of 15 cm (6 inches) or less** from the soil surface and extend to the depleted or gleyed matrix.

to

...starting at a **depth of less than 15 cm (6 inches)** from the soil surface and extend to the depleted or gleyed matrix.

Page 23: S7

Change

A layer 10 cm (4 inches) thick, starting at a depth of 15 cm (6 inches) or less from the soil surface, with a matrix value of 3 or less and chroma of 1 or less.

to

A layer 10 cm (4 inches) or more thick, starting at a depth of 15 cm (6 inches) or less from the soil surface, with a matrix value of 3 or less and chroma of 1 or less.

Page 25: S11 User Notes

Change

In adjacent upland areas, redox concentrations are absent or are only observed **at a depth 15 cm (6 inches) or more** from the soil surface.

to

In adjacent upland areas, redox concentrations are absent or are only observed at a depth of more than 10 cm (6 inches) from the soil surface.

Page 25: S12 User Notes

Change

This indicator is similar to A9 but allows chroma of 1 or more but not greater than 2.

to

This indicator is similar to A9 but allows chroma of more than 1 but not more than 2.

Page 39: Diffuse Boundary

Change

The color grade is **commonly 2 mm or more** wide.

to

The color grade is **more than 2 mm** wide.

Page 39: Distinct

Change

- 1. Delta hue equal to 0, then
 - a. delta value of 2 or less and delta chroma 1 to less than 4, or
 - b. delta value of 2 to less than 4 and delta chroma less than 4.

to

- 1. Delta hue equal to 0, then
 - a. delta value of 2 or less and delta chroma of more than 1 to less than 4, or
 - b. delta value of more than 2 to less than 4 and delta chroma of less than 4.