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State	Sub-Area Boundary	Coverage	Document Name	Details *
EPA Region 5 Inland Areas	-	Any state/county not covered under a Sub-Area boundary	Region 5 Inland Zone Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx">https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx</a>
<b>Ohio</b>	Great Rivers	Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio	Ohio River Umbrella Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf</a>
	Detroit/SE Michigan	Southeast Michigan, Northwest Ohio, and portions of Lake Huron and Lake Erie	Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf</a>
	Cincinnati	Southeast Indiana and Southwest Ohio	EPA Region 5 Sub-Area Contingency Plan for Ohio River/Cincinnati Area	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/OhioRiverSACP_June2021.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/OhioRiverSACP_June2021.pdf</a>
	SE Ohio/Huntington	Southern and Southeast Ohio, Ohio River bordering WV	Huntington/Ohio River Sub-Area Response Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/HERO-nps23-012606-01.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/HERO-nps23-012606-01.pdf</a>
	SE Ohio/Upper Ohio River	Eastern and Southeastern Ohio	SE Ohio Sub-Area Spill Response Plan Initial Incident Action Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/SE_Ohio_Sub-Area_Response_Plan_IAP_5_17_16.pdf?timestamp=1499692536162">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/SE_Ohio_Sub-Area_Response_Plan_IAP_5_17_16.pdf?timestamp=1499692536162</a>
	Great Black Swamp Island Upper Ohio River	Northwest Ohio and Southeast Michigan Ohio River	Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan Area Federal Region III Regional Response Team/ Region III Regional Oil and Hazardous Region 4 Regional/Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf</a> <a href="https://nrt.org/sites/72/files/2019-11-20_Final_RRT3_%20RCP_rev1.pdf">https://nrt.org/sites/72/files/2019-11-20_Final_RRT3_%20RCP_rev1.pdf</a>
	Ohio River	Ohio River bordering Kentucky	Region 4 Regional/Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019_Region4_RegionalContingencyPlan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019_Region4_RegionalContingencyPlan.pdf</a>
<b>Indiana</b>	Western Lake Superior	Coastal Zone of Lake Michigan and Navigable waters that flow into Lake Michigan	Sector Lake Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a>
	Great Rivers	Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio	Ohio River Umbrella Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf</a>
	NW Indiana Great Black Swamp Inland White River	Northwest Indiana Northeast Indiana Central Indiana Surrounding the White River	Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan Area Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan Area Region 5 Inland Zone Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a> <a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf</a> <a href="https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx">https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx</a>
	Patoka	Southwest Indiana	Region 5 Inland Zone Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx">https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx</a>
	Louisville/South Indiana	Southern Indiana	Region 5 Inland Zone Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx">https://rrt5.org/RCPIInlandZoneACP.aspx</a>
	Cincinnati	Southeast Indiana and Southwest Ohio	EPA Region 5 Sub-Area Contingency Plan for Ohio River/Cincinnati Area	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/OhioRiverSACP_June2021.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/OhioRiverSACP_June2021.pdf</a>
<b>Illinois</b>	Western Lake Superior	Coastal Zone of Lake Michigan and Navigable waters that flow into Lake Michigan	Sector Lake Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a>
	Upper Mississippi River	Commercially navigable mainstem Upper Mississippi River	Upper Mississippi River Spill Response Plan & Resource Manual	<a href="https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf">https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf</a>
	Mississippi River (Pools)	Commercially navigable mainstem of Mississippi River		

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State	Sub-Area Boundary	Coverage	Document Name	Details *
<b>Illinois (cont'd)</b>	Chicago	Southwest Lake Michigan and Four Counties in Northwest Illinois	Greater Chicago Sub-Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/GreaterChicagoSub-areaContingencyPlan_June_2018_Public.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/GreaterChicagoSub-areaContingencyPlan_June_2018_Public.pdf</a>
	Chicago	Will County, Illinois	U.S. EPA Region 5 Will County, Illinois Initial Incident Action Plan (IAP)	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Will%20County%20IAP%20final%209_19_18.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/Will%20County%20IAP%20final%209_19_18.pdf</a>
	St. Louis	Madison, Monroe, and St. Clair Counties, Illinois	Greater St. Louis Sub-area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/Greater_StLouisSACP_2016_8_Public.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/Greater_StLouisSACP_2016_8_Public.pdf</a>
	Great Rivers	Southern Illinois	Great Rivers Subarea Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/GreatRiversSACP_PublicVersion_Oct2020.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/GreatRiversSACP_PublicVersion_Oct2020.pdf</a>
	Great Rivers	Pope and Massac counties in Southern Illinois	U.S. EPA REGION 5 The Great Rivers – Paducah/Metropolis Spill Response Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/portals/0/PDFs/20190221_IAP%20Metropolis%20Paducah.pdf">https://rrt5.org/portals/0/PDFs/20190221_IAP%20Metropolis%20Paducah.pdf</a>
	Great Rivers	Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio	Ohio River Umbrella Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/OhioRiverUmbrellaPlan_091415.pdf</a>
<b>Michigan</b>	Western Lake Superior	Coastal Zone of Lake Michigan and Navigable waters that flow into Lake Michigan	Sector Lake Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a>
	North Michigan	Upper Peninsula and northern portion of lower Peninsula of Michigan	Northern Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/ACP-NorthernMI-EPAUSCG-Aug2015.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/ACP-NorthernMI-EPAUSCG-Aug2015.pdf</a>
	North Lower Western Michigan	Seventeen Counties in Western Michigan	Inland Zone Sub-Area Contingency Plan (SACP) for North Lower Western Michigan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NLWM_SACP_MainBodyPlan_Aug2021_final.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NLWM_SACP_MainBodyPlan_Aug2021_final.pdf</a>
	Detroit/SE Michigan	Southeast Michigan, Northwest Ohio, and portions of Lake Huron and Lake Erie	Northwest Ohio & Southeast Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2019.1%20NOSMAC%20Plan.pdf</a>
	South Lower Western Michigan	Seven Counties in Southwestern Michigan	Western Michigan Sub-Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/ACP_WesternMichigan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/ACP_WesternMichigan.pdf</a>
<b>Wisconsin</b>	Western Lake Superior	Coastal Zone of Lake Michigan and Navigable waters that flow into Lake Michigan	Sector Lake Michigan Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a>
	Upper Mississippi River	Commercially navigable mainstem Upper Mississippi River	Upper Mississippi River Spill Response Plan & Resource Manual	<a href="https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf">https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf</a>
	St. Croix Nation Scenic Riverway	Saint Croix and Namekagon Rivers	National Park Service St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Initial Incident Action Plan (IAP)	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NPS_Initial_Incident_Action_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NPS_Initial_Incident_Action_Plan.pdf</a>
	Green Bay/Horicon Milwaukee	Horicon Marsh Southeast Wisconsin	Horicon Marsh Initial Incident Action Plan Coast Guard Sector Lake Michigan Area	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/IAP_May%202015_v8.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/ResponsePlans/IAP_May%202015_v8.pdf</a> <a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/2020_Sector_Lake_Michigan_Area_Contingency_Plan.pdf</a>
<b>Minnesota</b>	Red River Valley	Six counties in western Minnesota	Red River Valley Sub-Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/RedRiverSD_Sep2003.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/RedRiverSD_Sep2003.pdf</a>
	Siouxland	Five counties in northeast Minnesota	Siouxland Subarea Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/SiouxlandSACP_PublicAccess_Sept2020.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/SiouxlandSACP_PublicAccess_Sept2020.pdf</a>
	Western Lake Superior	Western Lake Superior	Western Lake Superior Area Contingency Plan	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/WesternLakeSuperiorACP_rev_2017.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/WesternLakeSuperiorACP_rev_2017.pdf</a>
	Western Lake Superior	Isle Royal National Park	Strategic Protection Plan Response Considerations: Isle Royale National Park	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/IRReport081703_full.pdf?timestamp=1499693031760">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/docs/IRReport081703_full.pdf?timestamp=1499693031760</a>
	Minneapolis/St. Paul	Minneapolis/St. Paul	Inland Zone Sub-Area Contingency Plan (SACP) for Minneapolis/St. Paul	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/MplsStP_SACP_MainBodyPlan%20Final%20Jan%202021.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/MplsStP_SACP_MainBodyPlan%20Final%20Jan%202021.pdf</a>

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<b>Minnesota (cont'd)</b>	Mississippi (Pool): Mississippi River (Twin Cities Pool)	Commercially navigable mainstem Upper Mississippi River	Upper Mississippi River Spill Response Plan & Resource Manual	<a href="https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf">https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf</a>
	Upper Mississippi River	Commercially navigable mainstem Upper Mississippi River	Upper Mississippi River Spill Response Plan & Resource Manual	<a href="https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf">https://umrba.org/sites/default/files/documents/umrplan.pdf</a>
	St. Croix Nation Scenic Riverway	Saint Croix and Namekagon Rivers	National Park Service St. Croix National Scenic Riverway Initial Incident Action Plan (IAP)	<a href="https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NPS_Initial_Incident_Action_Plan.pdf">https://rrt5.org/Portals/0/PDFs/NPS_Initial_Incident_Action_Plan.pdf</a>

\* All referenced plans can be retrieved at [www.rrt5.org](http://www.rrt5.org) if links are broken.





**Table 2. Overview of Response Actions Anticipated to be used in R5**

Primary Response Activities	
Deflection and Containment Activities	Booming Dikes or Berms Construction barriers, dams, pits, and trenches Culvert blocking
Recovery Activities	Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents
Removal/cleanup Activities	Flooding Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Mechanical (non-chemical) sand cleaning (surface, <1 inch) Mechanical (non-chemical) sand cleaning and excavation (>1 inch) Manual removal /Cleaning of oil, oiled sediment, debris, or vegetation
Submerged Oil Activities	Detection of non-floating or submerged oil Recovery of non-floating or submerged oil Containment of non-floating or submerged oil
Wildlife Protection Activities	Deterrence and Hazing Capture and care of contaminated species or recovery of contaminated carcasses
Locating, Tracking, and Support Activities	Use of Aircraft Use of Vessels Use of Vehicles Use of machinery/supporting equipment Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Natural attenuation - allow habitat to recover naturally while monitoring Deployment of buoys Locating, Sampling and monitoring: Air, land, water (includes SCAT) Access of personnel by foot traffic
Secondary Response Activities	
Waste Management Activities	Waste Handling Temporary Storage (on water) Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination
Not included in RAM	
	Disinfection Phytoremediation Air Sparging



**Table 3. Impacts of Response Actions on Vulnerable Habitats within Region 5.**

Vulnerable Habitat in Region 5	Description	Corresponding RAM Habitat	Response Impacts <sup>1</sup>		
			Least	Some	Most
Beach and Sand Bar	<p><i>Beaches:</i> areas infrequently flooded with non-vegetated sand or gravel. It typically includes sand spoil banks, beaches, and other sandy areas that are upland. This general class may have small inclusions of grasses or forbs (&lt;10%), trees (&lt;10%), or shrubs (&lt;25%).</p> <p><i>Sand Bar:</i> areas that are temporarily flooded and exposed with non-vegetated sand flats. They are typically found in or near the main channel and are often associated with wing dams, shorelines, and islands.</p>	<p>Shorelines</p> <p>Ports, Canals, Industrial Areas</p> <p>Coastal Nearshore</p> <p>Rivers and Streams</p> <p>Bays and Estuaries</p> <p>Ponds and Lakes</p>	<p>Sorbents/Solidifiers</p> <p>Low-Pressure Ambient Flushing</p> <p>Hand Tool/Oil Removal Cleaning</p>	<p>Vacuum</p> <p>Light Equipment Oil Removal</p>	<p>Sediment Removal</p> <p>Heavy Equipment Removal</p>
Bog	<p>A bog is a distinctive type of freshwater wetland that accumulates peat derived from sphagnum conditions and low oxygen levels contribute to slow decay of organic material, resulting in layers of peat that can be meters deep. Due to a lack of inflows and outflows, and the impermeability of the peat layer, most bogs receive nearly all of their water from surface rather than ground water.</p>	<p>Wetlands</p>	<p>Exclusion or Deflection Booming</p> <p>Sorbents/Sorbent Boom</p> <p>Flooding</p> <p>Low Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing</p> <p>In-Situ Burning</p> <p>Collection by Direct Suction</p> <p>Debris/Vegetation Removal</p>	<p>Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation</p>	<p>Light Equipment Oil Removal</p> <p>Peat/Sediment Removal</p>
Calcareous Fen	<p>Calcareous fens are one of the rarest habitat types in the United States. They typically form on or near slight slopes from upwelling groundwater trapped by a layer of peat. Like bogs, fens are characterized by a peat substrate, but are fed by a supply of cold, oxygen-deprived groundwater rich in calcium and magnesium bicarbonates. As they occur on sites of cold-water seepage, active springs and trout streams are often associated with fens.</p>	<p>Wetlands</p>	<p>Exclusion or Deflection Booming</p> <p>Sorbents/Sorbent Boom</p> <p>Flooding</p> <p>Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing</p> <p>In-Situ Burning</p> <p>Collection by Direct Suction</p> <p>Debris/Vegetation Removal</p>	<p>Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation</p>	<p>Light Equipment Oil Removal</p> <p>Peat/Sediment Removal</p>
Deep Marsh Annuals	<p>The deep marsh annuals habitat includes portions of lakes, ponds, marshes, or backwaters that are &gt;10% vegetated with wild rice (<i>Zizania</i>). While this habitat is dominated by wild rice, it may have inclusions of submersed, non-rooted-floating aquatics, rooted-floating aquatics, or emergent vegetation. During normal water conditions, there is little flow, though there can be wind-generated currents and stronger flows at inlets and outlets. During flood conditions, these habitats can be connected to rivers or streams, have strong currents, and the potential to carry large amounts of debris.</p>	<p>Ponds and Lakes</p> <p>Wetlands</p>	<p>Exclusion or Deflection Booming</p> <p>Sorbents/Sorbent Boom</p> <p>Flooding</p> <p>Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing</p> <p>In-Situ Burning</p> <p>Debris/Vegetation Removal</p>	<p>Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation</p>	<p>Light Equipment Oil Removal</p> <p>Sediment Removal</p>
Deep Marsh Perennials	<p>The deep marsh perennials habitat includes portions of lakes, ponds, marshes, or backwaters that are semi-permanently flooded and more than 10% vegetated with persistent emergent vegetation. During normal water conditions, there is little flow, though there can be wind-generated currents and stronger flows at inlets and outlets. During flood conditions, these habitats can be connected to rivers or streams, have strong currents, and the potential to carry large amounts of debris.</p>	<p>Ponds and Lakes</p> <p>Wetlands</p>	<p>Exclusion or Deflection Booming</p> <p>Sorbents/Sorbent Boom</p> <p>Flooding</p> <p>Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing</p> <p>In-Situ Burning</p> <p>Debris/Vegetation Removal</p>	<p>Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation</p>	<p>Light Equipment Oil Removal</p> <p>Sediment Removal</p>

**Table 3. Impacts of Response Actions on Vulnerable Habitats within Region 5.**

Vulnerable Habitat in Region 5	Description	Corresponding RAM Habitat	Response Impacts <sup>1</sup>		
			Least	Some	Most
Deep Marsh Shrub	The Deep Marsh Shrub Habitat is found in or around lakes, ponds, backwaters, or shorelines that are >25% vegetated with semipermanently flooded shrubby vegetation. This general class may have inclusions of submersed, nonrooted-floating aquatics, rooted-floating aquatics, or emergent vegetation. This habitat is more common in southern aquatic systems.	Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Exclusion or Deflection Booming Natural Attenuation Sorbents Flooding Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing Solidifiers	In-Situ Burning Vacuum Debris/Vegetation Removal Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning	Light Equipment Oil Removal Sediment Removal
Floodplain Forest	Floodplain Forest represents areas on islands, near the shoreline, or around lakes, ponds, and backwaters that are >10% vegetated with seasonally flooded forests. This general class is typically found growing at or near the water table where it becomes inundated from spring flooding and high-water events.	Rivers and Streams Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Natural Attenuation Sorbents/Solidifiers Flooding Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing	Vacuum Debris/Vegetation Removal Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning	Light Equipment Oil Removal
Mudflats	Most common in tidal environments, mudflats also occupy marginal areas of backwaters, estuaries, lakes, ponds, or shorelines that are prone to seasonal flooding and subsequently exposed to non-vegetated mud. Though typically barren, incursions of emergent vegetation, forbs, grasses, or sedges of less than 10% cover may be present. Water may be present depending on season or weather patterns.	Rivers and Streams Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Sorbents Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning	Vacuum Light Equipment Oil Removal	Heavy Equipment Oil Removal Sediment Removal
Open Water	The open waters habitat includes main river channels and portions of lakes, ponds, and backwaters that remain permanently flooded all year and appear less than 10% vegetated. These habitats are subject to varying currents and wave action.	Ports, Canals, and Industrial Areas Coastal Nearshore Coastal Offshore Rivers and Streams Shorelines	Sorbents/Sorbent Boom Debris/Vegetation Removal Containment Booming	In-Situ Burning	Sediment Removal
Rooted Floating Aquatics	Rooted-Floating Aquatics represent portions of lakes, ponds, marshes, backwaters, or channel borders that are >10% vegetated with water lilies (Nymphaea and Nuphar) or American Lotus (Nelumbo). This general class is dominated by rooted-floating aquatics, but may have inclusions of submersed, nonrooted-floating aquatics, or emergent vegetation.	Ports, Canals, and Industrial Areas Coastal Nearshore Rivers and Streams Bays and Estuaries Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Containment Booming Sorbents/Sorbent Booming Debris/Vegetation Removal Natural Attenuation	Herding Agents/Physical Herding and Visco-Elastic Agents/Solidifiers In-Situ Burning	Sediment Removal
Sedge Meadow	The sedge meadows habitat includes lowland areas around lakes, ponds, backwaters, and along seasonally flooded shorelines. Similar to wet meadows, these habitats are close to 100% vegetated with perennial grasses and forbs. Though the peat and muck soils remain saturated most of the year, there is little standing water present (except after flooding or precipitation events). Sedge meadow habitat is rare and limited in occurrence in the Upper Mississippi River system.	Ponds and Lakes Bays and Estuaries Shorelines Wetlands	Flooding Collection by Direct Suction Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing In-Situ Burning	Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation Debris/Vegetation Removal	Light Equipment Oil Removal Sorbents Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning Nutrient Enrichment Sediment Removal

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Vulnerable Habitat in Region 5	Description	Corresponding RAM Habitat	Response Impacts <sup>1</sup>		
			Least	Some	Most
Shallow Marsh Annuals	The shallow marsh annuals habitat includes portions of lakes, ponds, backwaters, mudflats, or shorelines that are seasonally flooded and more than 10% vegetated with annual (non-persistent) emergent vegetation. During normal water conditions, there is little flow, though there can be wind-generated currents and stronger flows at inlets and outlets. During flood conditions, these habitats can be connected to rivers or streams, with strong currents and possibly large amounts of debris.	Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing Flooding Exclusion or Deflection Booming Sorbents/Sorbent Boom In-Situ Burning Debris/Vegetation Removal	Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation	Light Equipment Oil Removal Sediment Removal
Shallow Marsh Perennials	The shallow marsh perennials habitat includes portions of lakes, ponds, backwaters, or shorelines that are seasonally flooded and more than 10% vegetated with persistent emergent vegetation. During normal water conditions, there is little flow, though there can be wind-generated currents and stronger flows at inlets and outlets. During flood conditions, these habitats can be connected to rivers or streams, with strong currents and possibly large amounts of debris.	Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Exclusion or Deflection Booming Sorbents/Sorbent Boom Flooding Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing In-Situ Burning Debris/Vegetation Removal	Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation	Light Equipment Oil Removal Sediment Removal
Shallow Marsh Shrub	The Shallow Marsh Shrub Habitat represents areas near the shoreline or around lakes, ponds, and backwaters that are >25% vegetated with seasonally flooded shrubby vegetation. It typically grows with mixed emergent grasses and forbs. ). Shallow marsh shrubs are typically found growing in soils that are saturated or inundated with little water.	Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Exclusion or Deflection Booming Natural Attenuation Sorbents Flooding Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing Solidifiers	In-Situ Burning Vacuum Debris/Vegetation Removal Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning	Light Equipment Oil Removal Sediment Removal
Submersed Vegetation	The submersed vegetation habitat is those portions of lakes, ponds, channel borders, or backwaters that appear more than 10% of vegetation fully underwater. It generally is found in areas which are flooded year-round and have water depths between 0.5 and 2 meters. Submersed vegetation occurring at depths greater than 2 meters may be classified as open water.	Ports, Canals, and Industrial Areas Coastal Nearshore Coastal Offshore Rivers and Streams Ponds and Lakes Wetlands	Containment Booming Sorbents/Sorbent Boom Debris/Vegetation Removal Natural Attenuation	In-Situ Burning Herding Agents/Physical Herding and Visco-Elastic Agents/Solidifiers	Sediment Removal
Wet Meadow	The wet meadows habitat includes lowland areas that are close to 100% vegetated with perennial grasses and forbs. Wet meadows are common along the shores of shallow lakes, stream margins, and the edges of marshes, and can occur in areas of restricted drainage. Though the soils remain saturated most of the year, there is little standing water present (except after flooding or precipitation events).	Wetlands	Flooding Collection by Direct Suction Low-Pressure, Ambient-Water Flushing In-Situ Burning	Natural Attenuation/Phytoremediation Debris/Vegetation Removal	Light Equipment Oil Removal Hand Tool Oil Removal/Cleaning Sorbents Sediment Removal

<sup>1</sup> Inland Response Tactics Manual (UMBRA, 2013)



**Table 4. Species considered and reviewed for the R5 Action Area.**

Common Name	Scientific name	Status <sup>1</sup>	Occurrence in Action Area <sup>1</sup>											Habitat <sup>2</sup>		
			Critical Habitat <sup>2</sup>	IL	IN	MI	MN	OH	WI	Terrestrial	Aquatic					
<b>Plants</b>																
American Hart's-tongue Fern	<i>Asplenium scolopendrium</i> var.	T			X										X	
Decurrent False Aster	<i>Boltonia decurrens</i>	T	X												X	
Dwarf Lake Iris	<i>Iris lacustris</i>	T		X									X		X	
Eastern Prairie Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera leucophaea</i>	T	X	X	X		X	X							X	
Fassett's Locoweed	<i>Oxytropis campestris</i> var. <i>chartacea</i>	T											X		X	
Houghton's Goldenrod	<i>Solidago houghtonii</i>	T			X										X	
Lakeside Daisy	<i>Hymenoxys herbacea</i>	T	X		X				X						X	
Leafy Prairie-clover	<i>Dalea foliosa</i>	E	X												X	
Leedy's roseroot	<i>Rhodiola integrifolia</i> ssp. <i>leedyi</i>	T					X								X	
Mead's Milkweed	<i>Asclepias meadii</i>	T	X	X						X					X	
Michigan Monkey Flower	<i>Mimulus michiganensis</i>	E			X										X	
Minnesota Dwarf Trout Lily	<i>Erythronium propullans</i>	E				X									X	
Northern Wild Monkshood	<i>Aconitum noveboracense</i>	T							X	X					X	
Pitcher's thistle	<i>Cirsium pitcheri</i>	T	X	X	X					X					X	
Prairie Bush-clover	<i>Lespedeza leptostachya</i>	T	X							X					X	
Short's Bladderpod	<i>Physaria globosa</i>	E			X										X	
Short's Goldenrod	<i>Solidago shortii</i>	E			X										X	
Small whorled pogonia	<i>Isotria medeoloides</i>	T	X		X					X					X	
Tennessee Pondweed	<i>Potamogeton tennesseensis</i>	UR								X						X
Virginia Sneezeweed	<i>Helenium virginicum</i>	T								X					X	
Virginia Spiraea	<i>Spirea virginiana</i>	T								X					X	
Western Prairie Fringed Orchid	<i>Platanthera praeclara</i>	T					X								X	
<b>Snails</b>																
Iowa Pleistocene Snail	<i>Discus macclintocki</i>	E	X													X
<b>Clams (Freshwater Mussels)</b>																
Clubshell	<i>Pleurobema clava</i>	E	X	X	X				X						X	
Fanshell	<i>Cyprogenia stegaria</i>	E	X	X					X						X	
Fat Pocketbook	<i>Potamilus capax</i>	E	X	X					X						X	
Higgins' Eye Pearlymussel	<i>Lampsilis higginsii</i>	E	X					X					X		X	







**Table 4. Species considered and reviewed for the R5 Action Area.**

Common Name	Scientific name	Status <sup>1</sup>	Occurrence in Action Area <sup>1</sup>											Habitat <sup>2</sup>			
			Critical Habitat <sup>2</sup>	IL	IN	MI	MN	OH	WI	Terrestrial	Aquatic						
Plains Spotted Skunk	<i>Spilogale putorius interrupta</i>	UR		X												X	
Prairie Gray Fox	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus ocythous</i>	UR											X				X
Tricolored Bat	<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>	UR		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X
<b>Birds</b>																	
Eastern Black Rail	<i>Lateralus jamaicensis ssp.</i>	T		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X
Golden-winged Warbler	<i>Vermivora chrysoptera</i>	UR		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X
Piping Plover, Great Lakes	<i>Charadrius melodus</i>	E		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	D			X
Rufa Red Knot	<i>Calidris canutus rufa</i>	T		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	PCH			X
Whooping Crane, Non-essential Experimental Pop.	<i>Grus americana</i>	E		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X

<sup>1</sup> Status designations: E = endangered, T = threatened, UR = under review, P = proposed for listing, DR = delisted due to recovery, D = designated critical habitat, PCH = proposed critical habitat under review (USFWS, 2021; USFWS, 2022)

<sup>2</sup> Primary habitat occupied by the species. Species denoted with an asterisk are those that can occupy both terrestrial and aquatic habitats.

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Species with Critical Habitat <sup>1</sup> :	Environment (Habitat) within Action Area <sup>2</sup>						
	1) Shoreline (beach/land)	2) Ports, Canals, Industrial Areas	3) Rivers and Streams	4) Bays and Estuaries	5) Ponds and Lakes	6) Wetlands	7) Upland Areas
Short's Bladderpod ( <i>Physaria globosa</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	<p>Sandblasting Mechanical sand cleaning (&lt;1 inch) Mechanical sand cleaning/excavation (&gt;1 inch) Manual removal /Cleaning</p> <p>Booming Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Access of personnel by foot traffic Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>
Rabbitsfoot ( <i>Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	<p>Booming Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Manual removal /Cleaning Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Deployment of buoys Temporary Storage (on water)</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>	<p>Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Culvert blocking Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents Flushing Flooding Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Manual removal /Cleaning Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Use of Vessels Use of Vehicles Deployment of buoys Temporary Storage (on water)</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.
Round Hickorynut ( <i>Obovaria subrotunda</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	<p>Booming Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Manual removal /Cleaning Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Deployment of buoys Temporary Storage (on water)</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>	<p>Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Culvert blocking Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents Flushing Flooding Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Manual removal /Cleaning Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Use of Vessels Use of Vehicles Deployment of buoys Temporary Storage (on water)</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>	<p>Booming Skimming Vacuuming Sorbents Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Manual removal /Cleaning Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Deployment of buoys Temporary Storage (on water)</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.
Dakota Skipper ( <i>Hesperia dacotae</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	<p>Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Mechanical sand cleaning (&lt;1 inch) Mechanical sand cleaning/excavation (&gt;1 inch) Manual removal /Cleaning Use of Vehicles Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Access of personnel by foot traffic Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination</p> <p>Waste Handling</p>

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Hine's Emerald Dragonfly ( <i>Somatochlora hineana</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Culvert blocking Flooding Flushing Mechanical sand cleaning (<1 inch) Mechanical sand cleaning/excavation (>1 inch) Manual removal /Cleaning Creation/Use of New Access Points Access of personnel by foot traffic Waste Handling	No Effect
Poweshiek Skipperling ( <i>Oarisma poweshiek</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Mechanical sand cleaning (<1 inch) Mechanical sand cleaning/excavation (>1 inch) Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Culvert blocking Flooding Flushing Manual removal /Cleaning Deterrence and Hazing Capture and Care Use of Vehicles Use of machinery/supporting equipment Creation/Use of New Access Points Access of personnel by foot traffic Waste Handling	Upland concern is for runoff and impacts to hydrology Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Flooding Flushing Manual removal /Cleaning Creation/Use of New Access Points Access of personnel by foot traffic Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination Waste Handling
Topeka Shiner ( <i>Notropis topeka</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Culvert blocking Skimming Vacuuming Flooding Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Deterrence and Hazing Use of Vessels Deployment of Buoys Waste Handling Temporary Storage (on water)	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Booming Dikes or Berms Construction of barriers, etc. Skimming Vacuuming Flooding Flushing Steam Cleaning Sandblasting Detection of oil Recovery of oil Containment of oil Deterrence and Hazing Use of Vessels Deployment of Buoys Waste Handling Temporary Storage (on water)	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.
Canada Lynx ( <i>Lynx canadensis</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Use of Vehicles Use of Vessels Booming Skimming Manual removal /Cleaning Deterrence and Hazing Capture and Care Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Access of personnel by foot traffic Waste Handling Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination

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Indiana Bat ( <i>Myotis sodalis</i> )	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Not Applicable due to species and habitat not identified as occurring in this environment.	Booming Skimming Deterrence and Hazing Use of Aircraft Capture and Care Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Access of personnel by foot traffic Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination  Manual removal /Cleaning Use of Vehicles Waste Handling	Booming Skimming Deterrence and Hazing Use of Aircraft Capture and Care Creation/Use of New Access Points Creation/use of Staging Areas (on land) Access of personnel by foot traffic Temporary Storage (on land) Decontamination  Manual removal /Cleaning Use of Vehicles Waste Handling
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<sup>1</sup> Species listed are those designated or with proposed Primary Constituent Elements within the Action Area.

<sup>2</sup> Some response actions have been abbreviated for use in this table; refer to the Response Action Matrix for full descriptions of responses used in the Action Area

No effect due to no overlap between species and action or no impacts on species from action.

This applied to individuals whose habitat did not overlap with the action area habitats defined in Section 3.1 and 3.2 and was not identified for the response action. Example: Freshwater mussels do not occur nor are individuals found along shorelines (per the definition in Section 3.1); therefore, all response actions and interrelated actions occurring on Shoreline Habitat would not affect mussels due to no overlap.

May affect, not likely to adversely affect due to insignificant or discountable effects

May affect, not likely to adversely affect due to implementation of BMPs to minimize impact; For example, birds whose habitat for feeding, nesting, or otherwise includes Shoreline Habitat, may be affected by the response action occurring in Shoreline Habitats, but impacts are reduced by utilizing BMP's (color coded as orange on Species Action Matrix).

May affect, likely to adversely affect - discuss possible BMPs with Services

































