

# VERNAL POOL SURVEY FORM

*Steep Rock Association*

Survey Site:  Preserve:

Surveyor(s):  Date:

**POOL CHARACTERISTICS**

*ACTUAL*

*ESTIMATED MAXIMUM*

Maximum water depth (inches):

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Inundated area (ft<sup>2</sup>):

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BOTTOM SUBSTRATE	% COVER
Mud	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Leaf litter	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Sand/gravel	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Bedrock	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

BASIN VEGETATION	% COVER
Open water	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Marsh herbaceous	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Shrub woody	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Tree	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

WOODY DEBRIS	# IN BASIN (>2" diameter)
Fallen branches/trees	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Standing dead trees	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Standing live trees	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

Canopy closure (%):

Describe surrounding vegetation and land uses in a 100 ft buffer:

Is there any sign of disturbance within 100 ft of the pool perimeter? If yes, please describe:

Is this pool seasonally connected to another pool, stream, or wetland? If yes, please describe:

**BIOLOGICAL CRITERIA** (list all that apply)

- A - breeding chorus
- B - mating pair
- C - spermatophore
- D - egg mass
- E - frog tadpole
- F - salamander larvae
- G - transforming juvenile

Wood frog	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Spotted salamander	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Blue-spotted salamander	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Jefferson salamander	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
Marbled salamander	<input style="width: 100%; height: 20px;" type="text"/>

Fairy shrimp observed?  Yes  No

Fish observed?  Yes  No

Other wildlife and observations: