

Rapid Assessment Data Field Descriptions

Interpretive Guide		Geodatabase Guide		
Class	Field Definition	Field Name	Field values	
Survey Status	Indicates whether stand was assessed, excluded because not LLP, or inaccessible (not evaluated).	SURVEYSTAT	assessed no access excluded – not LLP	
Survey Date:	Date of the field assessment	SURVEYDATE	Check the box	
Point type	Indicates whether point was collected with GPS or plotted on-screen	POINT_TYPE	GPS Plotted	
Stand Type	Natural or Planted	STAND_TYPE	natural planted	
LLP Dominance:	Indicates the presence and dominance of LLP in the canopy (relative to all canopy species, not just pine) Dominant: LLP occupies the highest percentage of area of the canopy species Codominant: LLP occupies approximately the same percentage as other canopy species Occasional-rare: LLP present in the canopy but a low percentage relative to other species Absent: LLP not present in the canopy	LLP_DOM	dominant codominant occasional-rare absent	
LLP Age Structure:	Indicates the age structure of LLP in the canopy AND sub-canopy	LLP_AGE	at least 3 age classes 2 age classes 1 age class absent from canopy	
Older-mature Characteristics	Indicates the presence of flat-topped trees (more than one) within the stand.	OLDER_LL	yes not evident	
LLP Early Regeneration:	Estimated cover of LLP regeneration including planted trees that is <6' tall.	LLP_EARLY	not evident < 1% 1 - 5% 5 - 15% > 15%	
LLP Advanced Regeneration:	Estimated cover of LLP regeneration including planted trees that is 6-16' tall.	LLP_ADVANC	not evident < 1% 1 - 5% 5 - 15% > 15%	
LLP Basal Area:	Estimated basal area in square feet per acre of LLP for the entire stand rounded to the nearest ten.	LLP_BA	0 10 20 30 40 50 60	70 80 90 100 110 120 >120

Other Pine Cover (Canopy):	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of pine species other than LLP within the canopy; Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	OTHPINE_COV	Code	Description
			1	< 1%
			3	1 - 5%
			10	6 - 15%
			20	16 - 25%
			30	26 - 35%
			40	36- 45%
			50	46 - 55%
			60	55 - 65%
			70	66 - 75%
80	76 - 85%			
90	86 - 95%			
98	96 - 100%			
Hardwood Cover (Canopy):	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of hardwood species within the canopy. Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	HW_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	
Midstory Cover	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of all woody plants other than LLP from 10 feet tall to bottom of canopy; Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	MIDST_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	
Midstory Fire Tolerant Hardwood Cover:	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of turkey oak, sand post oak, bluejack oak, blackjack oak, southern red oak, mockernut hickory, and dogwood within the midstory (any stem greater than 10 feet tall to the bottom of the canopy); Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	FIREHW_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	
Tall Shrub Cover:	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of woody plants other than LLP from 3-10 feet tall; Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	TSHRUB_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	
Short Shrub Cover:	Percentage of the ground within the stand covered by the general extent of woody plants other than LLP <3 feet tall; Spaces between leaves and stems count as cover.	SSHRUB_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	
Herbaceous Cover:	Percent cover of all native non-woody, soft-tissued plants regardless of height, including non-woody vines, legumes, and graminoids (grasses, sedges, rushes); does not include non-native pasture grasses.	HERB_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)	

Pyrogenic Grass Cover:	Percent cover of native perennial graminoids that are maintained by periodic fire; includes wiregrass (<i>Aristida stricta</i>), pineywoods dropseed (<i>Sporobolus junceus</i>), Florida dropseed (<i>Sporobolus floridanus</i>), Chapman's beaksedge (<i>Rhynchospora chapmanii</i>), cutover muhly (<i>Muhlenbergia capillaris</i> var. <i>trichopodes</i>), toothache grass (<i>Ctenium aromaticum</i>), little bluestem (<i>Schizachyrum scoparium</i>) and Florida toothache grass (<i>Ctenium floridanum</i>). Does not include switchgrass (<i>Panicum virgatum</i>) or broomsedge (<i>Andropogon virginicus</i>).	PYROGR_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)
Pasture Grass Cover:	Percent cover of non-native grasses typically planted for forage; includes bahiagrass, centipede grass, carpet grass, digitgrass, bermudagrass, limpgrass, etc.	PASTGR_COV	(see OTHPINE_COV above)
Invasive Plant Cover:	Percent cover of invasive exotic plants within the stand; includes only FLEPPC category I and II listed species.	INVPL_COV	not evident < 1% 1 - 3% 4 - 10% > 10%
Soil Hydrology	<p>xeric: deep, well drained to excessively drained sands or gravelly sands; typical of sandhills.</p> <p>sub-mesic: moderately deep or deep, moderately well drained or well drained soils that have moderately fine texture to moderately coarse texture; typical of upland pine (clay hills).</p> <p>mesic: somewhat poorly drained soils having a layer that impedes the downward movement of water or soils of moderately fine texture or fine texture; typical of mesic flatwoods.</p> <p>hydric: poorly drained soils that have a high water table, soils that have a clay layer or other impervious material at or near the surface; typical of wet flatwoods.</p>	SOIL_HYDRO	xeric sub-mesic mesic hydric

Condition Rank:	Describes the ecological condition relative to a natural system (natural vegetative plant community) values:	COND_RANK	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Code</th> <th>Description</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>excellent</td> <td>Community species composition/abundance and structure are characteristic of conditions prevalent under historic fire regime.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>good</td> <td>Community species composition/abundance and structure are only partially characteristic of conditions previously prevalent under historic fire regime.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>fair</td> <td>Retains some components and/or structure characteristic under historic fire regime. Components of original pyrogenic groundcover are sparse or suppressed so as to be functionally irrelevant.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>poor</td> <td>May retain little of the original community species components and/or structural characteristics. Components of original pyrogenic groundcover are not evident.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Code	Description	excellent	Community species composition/abundance and structure are characteristic of conditions prevalent under historic fire regime.	good	Community species composition/abundance and structure are only partially characteristic of conditions previously prevalent under historic fire regime.	fair	Retains some components and/or structure characteristic under historic fire regime. Components of original pyrogenic groundcover are sparse or suppressed so as to be functionally irrelevant.	poor	May retain little of the original community species components and/or structural characteristics. Components of original pyrogenic groundcover are not evident.
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