



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

## National Wetlands Inventory

Branch of Resource and Mapping Support

Enter Classification code:  (Example: **L1UB1Hx**)

For geographically specific information\* (optional), please enter a State code:  (Example: **TX** for Texas)

Description for code **PSSA**:

**P** System **PALUSTRINE**: The Palustrine System includes all nontidal wetlands dominated by trees, shrubs, emergents, mosses or lichens, and all such wetlands that occur in tidal areas where salinity due to ocean derived salts is below 0.5 ppt. Wetlands lacking such vegetation are also included if they exhibit all of the following characteristics: 1. are less than 8 hectares ( 20 acres ); 2. do not have an active wave-formed or bedrock shoreline feature; 3. have at low water a depth less than 2 meters (6.6 feet) in the deepest part of the basin; 4. have a salinity due to ocean-derived salts of less than 0.5 ppt.

Subsystem :

**SS** Class **SCRUB-SHRUB**: Includes areas dominated by woody vegetation less than 6 m (20 feet) tall. The species include true shrubs, young trees (saplings), and trees or shrubs that are small or stunted because of environmental conditions.

Subclass :

Modifier(s):

**A** WATER REGIME **Temporary Flooded**: Surface water is present for brief periods during growing season, but the water table usually lies well below the soil surface for most of the growing season. Plants that grow both in uplands and wetlands may be characteristic of this water regime.