



United States
Department of
Agriculture

Natural
Resources
Conservation
Service

Fremont Field Office
1730 W 23rd Street
Fremont, NE 68025-6607
PH: 402-721-8455

September 17, 1999

Dear Hills Farms Inc.:

Enclosed is the HIGHLY ERODIBLE AND WETLAND CONSERVATION DETERMINATION form (NRCS-026E) for tract(s): 4518. This form contains all of the current highly erodible and wetland determinations for this tract.

Accompanying this letter is a new HEL determination for your farm. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has redefined field boundaries, due to CRP, from your original determination which is the basis for this determination.

The attached NRCS-CPA-026E form under Section I lists the fields along with a Y/N which identifies *yes* or *no* for highly erodible. If a *yes* is identified, you are advised to visit with our office to possibly revise your conservation plan.

If you do not agree with this preliminary technical determination, please follow the procedures outlined in the enclosed APPEAL PROCESS WORKSHEET. If you agree with this preliminary technical determination, you may disregard the enclosed APPEAL PROCESS WORKSHEET.

Information regarding all HEL and wetland determinations is used in determining eligibility for USDA program benefits such as cost-share programs, disaster programs, production programs, farm loans, and other existing or potential USDA programs. If other individuals are associated with this farm, we encourage you to discuss this letter, accompanying NRCS-CPA-026E form and the impacts of the above decision with them also.

If you have questions about this determination please contact me at 402-721-8455.

Sincerely,

Dennis A. Schroeder
Resource Conservationist

Enclosures (NRCS-CPA-026E, Aerial photo, Appeal Process Worksheet)

HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND AND WETLAND
CONSERVATION DETERMINATION

Name: Kirchmann Brothers
County: Dodge

Tract: 4518
Request Date:

Farm: 5075
FSA Farm No.: 5075

Wetlands Explanation

Wetland
Label

Explanatory Comments

NW

Non-wetland;

Description: An area that does not meet wetland criteria under natural conditions or wetlands that were converted prior to 12/23/85, not cropped prior to 12/23/85, does not meet wetland criteria, and has not been abandoned; Authorized cropping: No Restrictions; Authorized Maintenance: No restrictions unless the manipulation would convert adjacent wetland labels.

Remarks *CRP fields 3, 4, 5 are NHEL.*

I certify that the above determinations are correct and were conducted in accordance with policies and procedures contained in the National Food Security Act Manual.

Signature Designated Conservationist

Date

Dennis Schroeder
Dennis Schroeder

Aug 19, 1999

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HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND AND WETLAND
CONSERVATION DETERMINATION

Name: Kirchmann Brothers
County: Dodge

Tract: 4518
Request Date:

Farm: 5075
FSA Farm No.: 5075

Section I - Highly Erodible Land

Fields in this section have undergone a determination of whether they were highly erodible land (HEL) or not; fields for which an HEL Determination has not been completed are not listed. In order to be eligible for USDA benefits, a person must be using an approved conservation system on all HEL.

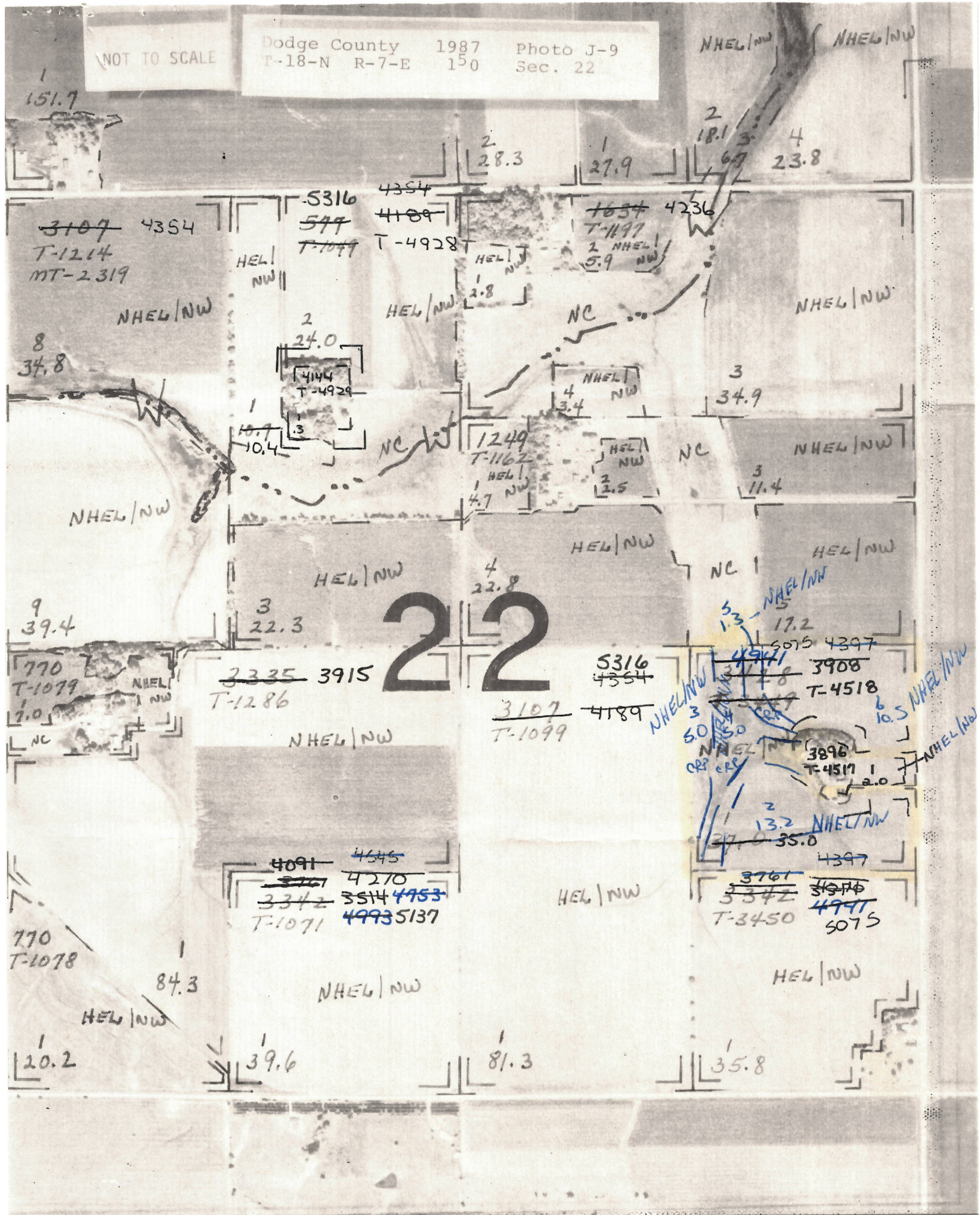
| Field | HEL(Y/N) | Sodbusted(Y/N) | Acres | Determination Date |
|-------|----------|----------------|-------|--------------------|
| 2 | N | N | 13.2 | 03/19/93 |
| 3 | N | N | 5.2 | 08/19/99 |
| 4 | N | N | 5.0 | 08/19/99 |
| 5 | N | N | 1.3 | 08/19/99 |
| 6 | N | N | 10.5 | 08/19/99 |

Section II - Wetlands

Fields in this section have had wetland determinations completed. See the Wetlands Explanation section for additional information regarding allowable activities under the wetland conservation provisions of the Farm Bill and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

| Field | Wetland Label | Acres | Determination Date | Certification Date |
|-------|---------------|-------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 2 | NW | 13.2 | 03/19/93 | Wetlands Not Certified |
| 3 | NW | 5.2 | 08/19/99 | Wetlands Not Certified |
| 4 | NW | 5.0 | 08/19/99 | Wetlands Not Certified |
| 5 | NW | 1.3 | 08/19/99 | Wetlands Not Certified |
| 6 | NW | 10.5 | 08/19/99 | Wetlands Not Certified |

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Dear Hills Farms Inc.:

Enclosed is the HIGHLY ERODIBLE AND WETLAND CONSERVATION DETERMINATION form (NRCS-026E) for tract(s): 3450. This form contains all of the current highly erodible and wetland determinations for this tract.

Accompanying this letter is a new HEL determination for your farm. The Farm Service Agency (FSA) has redefined field boundaries, due to CRP, from your original determination which is the basis for this determination.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dennis A. Schroeder".

Dennis A. Schroeder
Resource Conservationist

Enclosures (NRCS-CPA-026E, Aerial photo, Appeal Process Worksheet)

HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND AND WETLAND
CONSERVATION DETERMINATION

Name: Kirchmann Brothers Tract: 3450 Farm: 5075
County: Dodge Request Date: FSA Farm No.: 5075

Section I - Highly Erodible Land

Fields in this section have undergone a determination of whether they were highly erodible land (HEL) or not; fields for which an HEL Determination has not been completed are not listed. In order to be eligible for USDA benefits, a person must be using an approved conservation system on all HEL.

| Field | HEL(Y/N) | Sodbusted(Y/N) | Acres | Determination Date |
|-------|----------|----------------|-------|--------------------|
| 1 | Y | N | 34.5 | 09/21/87 |
| 2 | N | N | 1.3 | 08/19/99 |

Section II - Wetlands

Fields in this section have had wetland determinations completed. See the Wetlands Explanation section for additional information regarding allowable activities under the wetland conservation provisions of the Farm Bill and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

| Field | Wetland Label | Acres | Determination Date | Certification Date |
|-------|---------------|-------|--------------------|------------------------|
| 1 | NW | 34.5 | 08/14/90 | Wetlands Not Certified |
| 2 | NW | 1.3 | 08/19/99 | Wetlands Not Certified |

Wetlands Explanation

| Wetland Label | Explanatory Comments |
|---------------|----------------------|
|---------------|----------------------|

HIGHLY ERODIBLE LAND AND WETLAND
CONSERVATION DETERMINATION

Name: Kirchmann Brothers
County: Dodge

Tract: 3450
Request Date:

Farm: 5075
FSA Farm No.: 5075

Wetlands Explanation

Wetland

Label Explanatory Comments

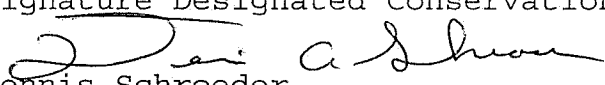
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Remarks

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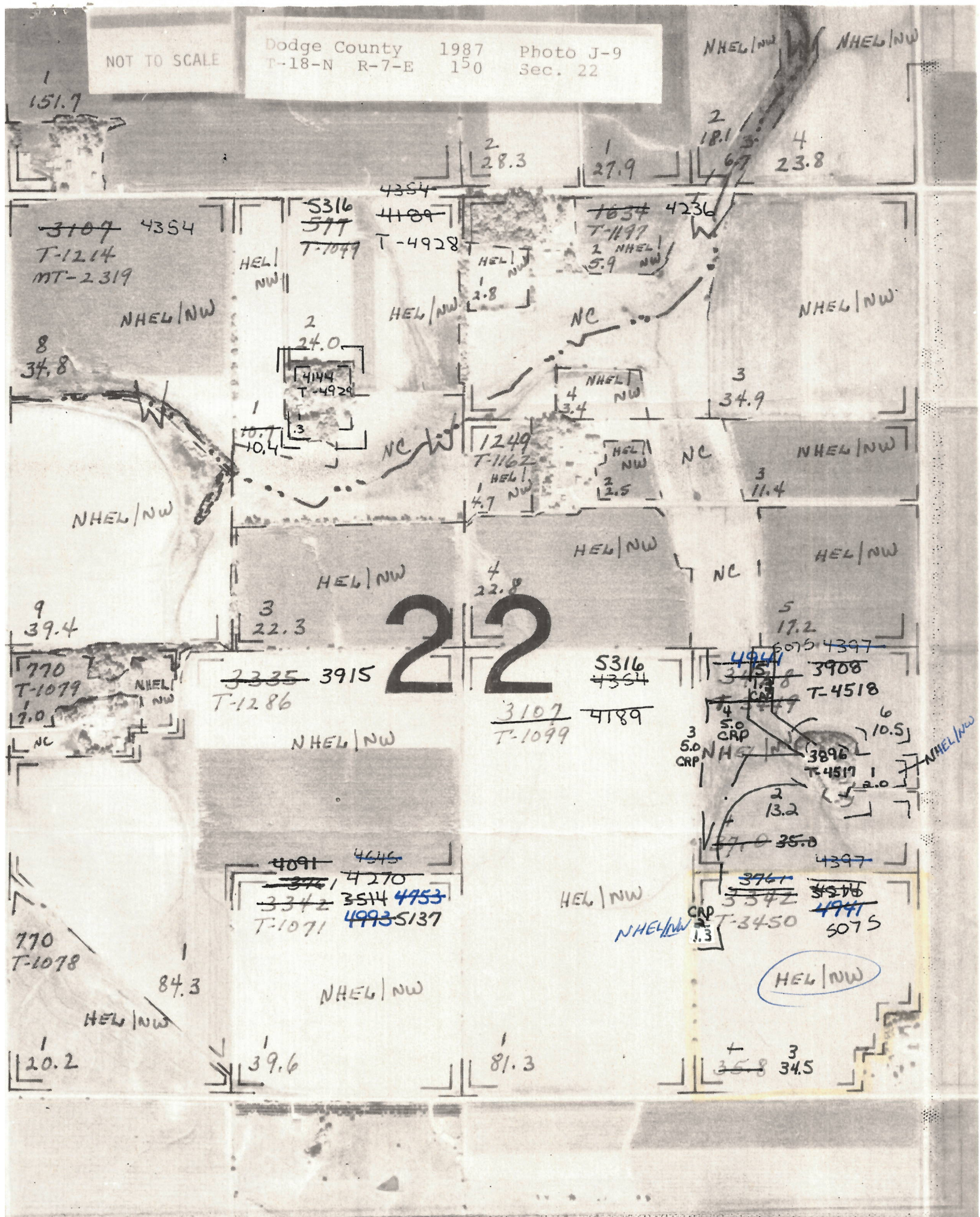
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