Tables 1-6 provides additional, brief descriptions of each resource affected by the preferred action.

For more information regarding the affected environment, please see section II of the Refuge's Comprehensive Conservation Plan, which can be found here: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ServCat/Reference/Profile/20314</u>.

Environmental Consequences

This section analyzes the environmental consequences of the action on each affected resource, including direct and indirect effects. This EA only includes the written analyses of the environmental consequences on a resource when the impacts on that resource could be more than negligible and therefore considered an "affected resource". Any resources that will not be more than negligibly impacted by the action have been dismissed from further analyses.

Tables 1-5 provide:

A brief description of the affected resources in the preferred action area; Impacts of the preferred action and any alternatives on those resources, including direct and indirect effects.

Table 6 provides a brief description of the cumulative impacts.

Impact Types:

Direct effects are those which are caused by the action and occur at the same time and place. *Indirect effects* are those which are caused by the action and are later in time or farther removed in distance, but are still reasonably foreseeable.

Cumulative impacts result from the incremental impact of the action when added to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future actions regardless of what agency (Federal or non-federal) or person undertakes such other actions.

Impacts Analysis

Impacts to geology, soils, water resources, wetlands, and wilderness are negligible and not further analyzed in the following table.

Table 1. Affected Natural Resources and Anticipated Impacts

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