WAC 173-700-316 Considerations for determining high quality wetland systems. The department shall determine whether a site is a high quality wetland system including, but not limited to:

1. Wetlands with special characteristics including:
   (a) Estuarine wetlands;
   (b) Natural Heritage wetlands;
   (c) Bogs;
   (d) Old-growth and mature forested wetlands;
   (e) Interdunal wetlands;
   (f) Vernal pools; and
   (g) Alkali wetlands.

2. Bog-like wetlands, aspen-dominated wetlands, camas prairie wetlands, and marine water with eelgrass beds.

3. Category I wetlands (Washington state wetland rating system, 2004 or as amended).

4. Category II wetlands with a habitat score > 29 points (Washington state wetland rating system, 2004 or as amended).

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