

City of Belle Plaine Ecologic Sites of Significance Map 2-3

Legend

- Ecologic Sites of Significance
- 1
 - 2
 - 3
 - City Limits

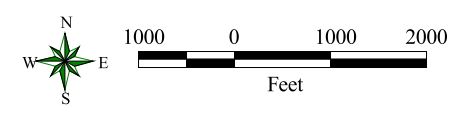
Ecological Score
Regionally Significant Ecological Areas were given a score of 1, 2, or 3 (3 being the highest possible score) based on how well continuous natural areas met standards for size, shape, connectivity, adjacent land use, and species diversity.

3 - These areas tend to be larger in size, and/or with few adjacent land cover types or land uses that could adversely affect the area; may have greater diversity of vegetation cover types; or it may be an isolated native plant community mapped and given a score of outstanding biodiversity significance by the Minnesota County Biological Survey.

2 - These areas tend to be moderate in size and/or with more adjacent land cover types or land uses that could adversely affect the area; may have less diversity of vegetation cover types; or it may be an isolated native plant community mapped and given a score of high biodiversity significance by the Minnesota County Biological Survey.

1 - These areas tend to be smaller in size while still meeting the minimum size requirements for regional significance (minimum size is variable based on cover type); may have less diversity of vegetation cover types; may have more adjacent cover types or land uses that could adversely affect the area; or it may be an isolated native plant community mapped and given a score of moderate biodiversity significance by the Minnesota County Biological Survey.

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Scale: 1 inch = 2000 feet
R.F.: 1 : 24,000

