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Assessment Criteria (Weighting)	Comments	Score	Weighted Score
1. Naturalness (15%)	● The majority of the site is abandoned wet agricultural land which is largely man-made.	1	0.15
2. Habitat diversity (15%)	● The site comprises three major habitat types, namely stream and marsh, mangrove stand and woodland.	2	0.30
3. Non-recreatability (10%)	● The major habitats are the stream and marsh on abandoned agricultural field, which is easy to be recreated.	1	0.10
4. Species diversity & richness (30%)	● Low diversity with few species of amphibians, birds, butterflies and freshwater fish.	1	0.30
5. Species rarity/endemism (30%)	● Supports the endemic Hong Kong Paradise Fish <i>Macropodus hongkongensis</i> though its population declined sharply after the habitat has been much disturbed.	2	0.60
		Total:	1.45

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