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State Rank: S3

Intertidal portions of bays and rivers, from the head of tide to the coastline. Salinity can vary greatly depending on season, weather, and other factors, but generally increases downriver, with portions near the head of tide almost completely freshwater. Saltmarshes are restricted to the higher salinity areas.

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