



Plate 20.—Classification: SYSTEM Estuarine, SUBSYSTEM Intertidal, CLASS Emergent Wetland, SUBCLASS Persistent, DOMINANCE TYPE *Phragmites australis*, WATER REGIME Irregularly Flooded, WATER CHEMISTRY Mixohaline, SOIL Mineral. Saltmeadow cordgrass (*Spartina patens*) and saltmarsh cordgrass (*Spartina alterniflora*) are subordinate species. (Washington County, Rhode Island; July 1977; Photo by F. C. Golet)