



**U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
REGULATORY PROGRAM
APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM)
NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE**

I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Completion Date of Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD): 11/12/2020
 ORM Number: SAS-2003-20390
 Associated JDs: SAS-2003-20390
 Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: GA City: Rincon County/Parish/Borough: Effingham
 Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.265526 Longitude -81.244186

II. FINDINGS

A. Summary: Check all that apply. At least one box from the following list MUST be selected. Complete the corresponding sections/tables and summarize data sources.

- The review area is comprised entirely of dry land (i.e., there are no waters or water features, including wetlands, of any kind in the entire review area). Rationale: N/A or describe rationale.
- There are “navigable waters of the United States” within Rivers and Harbors Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete table in Section II.B).
- There are “waters of the United States” within Clean Water Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete appropriate tables in Section II.C).
- There are waters or water features excluded from Clean Water Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete table in Section II.D).

B. Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 Section 10 (§ 10)²

§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

C. Clean Water Act Section 404

Territorial Seas and Traditional Navigable Waters ((a)(1) waters): ³			
(a)(1) Name	(a)(1) Size	(a)(1) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(1) Determination
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

Tributaries ((a)(2) waters):			
(a)(2) Name	(a)(2) Size	(a)(2) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(2) Determination
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

Lakes and ponds, and impoundments of jurisdictional waters ((a)(3) waters):			
(a)(3) Name	(a)(3) Size	(a)(3) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(3) Determination
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):			
(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.

¹ Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

² If the navigable water is not subject to the ebb and flow of the tide or included on the District’s list of Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 navigable waters list, do NOT use this document to make the determination. The District must continue to follow the procedure outlined in 33 CFR part 329.14 to make a Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 navigability determination.

³ A stand-alone TNW determination is completed independently of a request for an AJD. A stand-alone TNW determination is conducted for a specific segment of river or stream or other type of waterbody, such as a lake, where upstream or downstream limits or lake borders are established. A stand-alone TNW determination should be completed following applicable guidance and should NOT be documented on the AJD Form.



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D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): ⁴			
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Non-adjacent wetland	0.64 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	The wetland labeled “Non-adjacent Wetland” on the exhibit “Aerial Photograph –Waters Location Exhibit” is not adjacent to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters as defined by the NWPR. This wetland does not abut any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters, is not inundated by nor does it have a direct hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. The wetland is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters.

III. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

A. Select/enter all resources that were used to aid in this determination and attach data/maps to this document and/or references/citations in the administrative record, as appropriate.

- Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: [Approved jurisdictional determination request submitted to the Corps on 9/29/20, including wetland data forms.](#)

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: [N/A](#)

- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: [Title\(s\) and/or date\(s\).](#)
- Photographs: [Aerial: “Aerial Photograph – Waters Location Exhibit” dated September 29, 2020](#)
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [N/A](#)
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [N/A](#)
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [NRCS Soil Map dated September 29, 2020. The review area is mapped as Rigdon sand, 0-2% slopes, a non-hydric soil.](#)
- USFWS NWI maps: [National Wetlands Inventory map dated September 29, 2020](#)
- USGS topographic maps: [USGS Topographic Map dated September 29, 2020](#)

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	N/A.
USDA Sources	Web Soil Survey
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	Antecedent Precipitation Tool
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

B. Typical year assessment(s): [Using the Antecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from the Savannah Airport weather station, we have determined that the site was under normal rainfall conditions for the wet season when the site was visited by the consultant on September 11, 2020.](#)

⁴ Some excluded waters, such as (b)(2) and (b)(4), may not be specifically identified on the AJD form unless a requestor specifically asks a Corps district to do so. Corps districts may, in case-by-case instances, choose to identify some or all of these waters within the review area.

⁵ Because of the broad nature of the (b)(1) exclusion and in an effort to collect data on specific types of waters that would be covered by the (b)(1) exclusion, four sub-categories of (b)(1) exclusions were administratively created for the purposes of the AJD Form. These four sub-categories are not new exclusions, but are simply administrative distinctions and remain (b)(1) exclusions as defined by the NWPR.



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C. Additional comments to support AJD: The 0.64 acre wetland is depressional with no inflow or outflow. There are no natural or manmade discrete and/or confined surface hydrology connections between this depressional wetland and any other jurisdictional waters. The consultant observed no surface water connections. During times of heavy precipitation there is very low probability that floodwater would reach an elevation necessary for water to flow from other jurisdictional waters into the wetland. The 0.64 acre wetland does not meet any of the adjacency criteria in the NWPR. The wetland does not abut an (a)(1) through (a)(3) water, is not inundated by flooding from an (a)(1) through (a)(3) water, and is physically separated from all (a)(1) through (a)(3) waters.