

# 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): 12/22/2020

ORM Number: SAS-2020-00547

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: GA City: Hinesville County/Parish/Borough: Liberty

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 31.8473 Longitude -81.6560

#### 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)<sup>2</sup>

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

Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):						
(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size		(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination		
Wetland	25.05	acre(s)	(a)(4) Wetland abuts an (a)(1)- (a)(3) water.	The 25.05 Wetland is part of a large contiguous wetland system that directly abuts Horse Creek an		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 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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Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):						
(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination			
			(a)(2) tributary of the Canoochee River located east of the AJD review area			

## D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters (	Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))$ :4						
Exclusion Name	Exclusion		Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination			
Pond 1	0.26	acre(s)	(b)(8) Artificial lake/pond constructed or excavated in upland or a non-jurisdictional water, so long as the artificial lake or pond is not an impoundment of a jurisdictional water that meets (c)(6).	Pond 1 is an artificial pond that appears to have been excavated from upland area and is surrounded by upland. No evidence was observed to indicate that the pond was excavated from wetland.			
Pond 2	0.77	acre(s)	(b)(8) Artificial lake/pond constructed or excavated in upland or a non-jurisdictional water, so long as the artificial lake or pond is not an impoundment of a jurisdictional water that meets (c)(6).	Pond 2 is an artificial pond that appears to have been excavated from upland area and is surrounded by upland. No evidence was observed to indicate that the pond was excavated from wetland.			
Pond 1	0.41	acre(s)	(b)(8) Artificial lake/pond constructed or excavated in upland or a non-jurisdictional water, so long as the artificial lake or pond is not an impoundment of a jurisdictional	Pond 3 is an artificial pond that appears to have been excavated from upland area and is surrounded by upland. No evidence was observed to indicate that the pond was excavated from wetland.			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> 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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Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))$ :4						
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination			
		water that meets (c)(6).				

### 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: AJD Request submitted 8/4/2020 and additional information submitted on 11/11/2020.

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A

- ☐ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- ☐ Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).
- ☐ Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): ORM Number(s) and date(s).
- ☐ Antecedent Precipitation Tool: *provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.*

- USGS topographic maps: USGS topo survey, July 16, 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	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

- **B. Typical year assessment(s):** The data forms provided by Sligh Environmental Consultants, Inc. indicate that the wetland delineation of the property was performed on 6/30/2020. Using the Antecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from a nearby weather station, we have determined the delineation was conducted during the dry season (WebWIMP H20 Balance) and that "normal" rainfall conditions were present for the nearby weather station on the date of the wetland delineation.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD: N/A