



**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): 8/20/2020
 ORM Number: SAJ-2020-00684
 Associated JDs: N/A
 Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: GA City: Savannah County/Parish/Borough: Chatham
 Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.025834 Longitude -81.115915

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
- 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 A.	0.87	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	Wetland A 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 any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters, is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters and does not have a directed hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.
Non-Adjacent Wetland B.	0.11	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	Wetland B 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 any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters, is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters and does not have a directed hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.
Ditch A.	617	linear feet	(b)(5) Ditch that is not an (a)(1) or (a)(2) water, and those portions of a ditch constructed in an (a)(4) water that do not satisfy the conditions of (c)(1).	Ditch A was constructed to convey stormwater. This ditch was not constructed within a tributary or adjacent wetlands.

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: **Title(s) and date(s)**
This information **Select.** sufficient for purposes of this AJD.
Rationale: **N/A or describe rationale for insufficiency (including partial insufficiency).**
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: **N/A**
- Photographs: **Select. Title(s) and/or date(s).**
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: **Date(s).**
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): **N/A**
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: **provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.**

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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- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: 1"=200'; Chatham County, GA
- USFWS NWI maps: 1"=200'; Chatham County, GA
- USGS topographic maps: 1"=2000'; Chatham County, GA

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	08/17/2020
USDA Sources	08/17/2020
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	Antecedent Precipitation Tool
LiDAR data/maps	1"=100'; Chatham County, GA
Other Sources	N/A.

B. Typical year assessment(s): The wetland delineation was conducted in August of 2020. The status of delineated resources jurisdiction was assessed on 19 August, 2020. Using the Atecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from the Savannah International Airport weather station, we have determined that normal conditions were present for the nearest weather station during the assessments during the delineation in 2020.

C. Additional comments to support AJD:

Non-adjacent Wetlands A and B are surrounded entirely by upland. There is no direct hydrologic surface connection between Wetland A, Wetland B, and any other jurisdictional wetlands. Non-adjacent Wetland A drains north through the Ditch A into the City of Savannah stormwater drainage system. Non-adjacent Wetland B is a result of overflow from the adjacent stormwater pond which then drains north into Ditch A and off the property into the City of Savannah stormwater drainage system. Because these wetlands drain directly into the city stormwater system from a non-jurisdictional ditch feature these wetlands are considered non-adjacent and therefore non-jurisdictional. These wetlands are ±1.5 miles from the nearest TNW, Casey Canal.

Ditch A was constructed to convey stormwater and does not exhibit intermittent or perennial flow. This ditch was not constructed within a tributary or adjacent wetlands and is therefore not jurisdictional.