

# 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): Select.

ORM Number: SAS-2020-00734

Associated JDs: N/A

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

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.031263 Longitude -81.215798

#### 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

## B. Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 Section 10 (§ 10)<sup>2</sup>

(complete table in Section II.D).

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§ 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	
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	

<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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## D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): <sup>4</sup>					
Exclusion Name	Exclusion	n Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination	
Non-Adjacent Wetland A	6.06 Acres	N/A.	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland A is not adjacent to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters as defined by the NWPR. The 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 direct hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.	
Non-Adjacent Wetland B	0.85 Acres	N/A.	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland B is not adjacent to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters as defined by the NWPR. The 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 direct hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.	
Non-Adjacent Wetland C	0.01 Acres	N/A.	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland C is not adjacent to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters as defined by the NWPR. The 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 direct hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.	

#### 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 9/29/2020

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: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- ☐ 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.
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: 1"=350' Chatham County, GA 9/28/2020
- □ USFWS NWI maps: 1"=350' Chatham County, GA 9/28/2020
- USGS topographic maps: 1"=2000' Chatham County, GA 9/28/2020

<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>&</sup>lt;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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### Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	1"=2000' Chatham County USGS Topographic Survey 9/28/2020
USDA Sources	1"=350' Chatham County USDA Soil Survey 9/28/2020
NOAA Sources	N/A
USACE Sources	N/A
LiDAR data/maps	1"=500' Chatham County, GA 2009 NOAA Digital Coast Lidar 10/15/2020
Other Sources	N/A.

**B.** Typical year assessment(s): The wetland delineation was conducted in September of 2020. The status of delineated resources jurisdiction was assessed on 29 September, 2020. Based on information from the the Atecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which incorporated rainfall data from the Savannah International Airport weather station, we have determined that normal conditions were present at the nearest weather station during the site assessment in September, 2020.

# C. Additional comments to support AJD:

Wetland A and is surrounded entirely by upland. There is no direct hydrologic surface connection between Wetland A, and any other jurisdictional wetlands. This wetland is approximately 0.5 mile from the nearest TNW, Salt Creek.

Wetland B and is surrounded entirely by upland. There is no direct hydrologic surface connection between Wetland B, and any other jurisdictional wetlands. This wetland is approximately 0.7 mile from the nearest TNW, Salt Creek.

Wetland C and is surrounded entirely by upland. There is no direct hydrologic surface connection between Wetland C, and any other jurisdictional wetlands. This wetland is approximately 0.9 miles from the nearest TNW, Salt Creek.