



**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): 11/30/2020
 ORM Number: SAS-2016-00045
 Associated JDs: SAS-2016-00045 & 199100263
 Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: GA City: Pooler County/Parish/Borough: Chatham
 Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.162605 Longitude -81.212944

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
P2 (Wetland D)	1.67 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	This wetland 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 or have a direct surface water connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. This wetland is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. This wetland feature is disconnected from downstream waters via an artificial structure (road) that does not allow direct hydrologic surface connection through or over in a typical year.
P3 (Wetland B)	2.37 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	This wetland 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 or have a direct surface water connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. This wetland is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. This wetland feature is disconnected from downstream waters via an artificial structure (road) that does not allow direct hydrologic surface connection through or over in a typical year.
P4 (Wetland C)	0.88 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	This wetland 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 or have a direct surface water connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. This wetland is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. This wetland feature is disconnected from downstream waters via an artificial structure (road) that does not allow direct hydrologic surface connection through or over in a typical year.
P5 (Wetland A)	3.26 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	This wetland 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 or have a direct surface water connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. This wetland is physically separated from all (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. This wetland feature is disconnected from downstream waters via an artificial structure (road) that does not allow

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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Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): ⁴			
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
			direct hydrologic surface connection through or over 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: [AJD Request 11/3/2020](#)
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: [Aerial: 2018 & 1999](#)
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [8/24/2020, Corps PM Ross Sullivan](#)
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [SAS-2016-00045 & 199100263](#)
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [11/03/20 Soil Map](#)
- USFWS NWI maps: [11/03/20 NWI Map](#)
- USGS topographic maps: [11/03/20 Topographic Map](#)

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
Other USGS data (specify)	USGS Port Wentworth Quad
Other USDA data (specify)	NRCS Chatham County
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	N/A.
LiDAR data/maps	NOAA Lidar 2009 Chatham County
FEMA/FIRM maps	Flood Map Zone X

B. Typical year assessment(s): [RLC and the USACE conducted a site visit on 8/24/2020. Using the Antecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from the Savannah International Airport weather station, we have determined that normal rainfall conditions were present for the nearest weather station on the date of the site visit as published data was within 30% of the 30 year average.](#)

C. Additional comments to support AJD: [The \(b\)\(1\) non-adjacent wetlands displayed on the attached map entitled “Approximate Aquatic Resources Sketch” and dated 11/3/2020 are non-adjacent wetlands that meet exclusion \(b\)\(1\) of the Navigable Waters Protection Rule \(NWPR\). These wetlands are >1.5 miles from the nearest TNW \(Saint Augustine Creek\). These wetlands are completely surrounded by uplands or upland features. The adjacent uplands are approximately 2-2.5 foot higher in elevation than the average surface elevation within the wetlands. The wetlands are not adjacent to any \(a\)\(1\)-\(a\)\(3\) waters as defined by the NWPR. Further, the wetlands are not within a floodplain of an \(a\)\(1\) through \(a\)\(3\) water.](#)