



**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): 1/25/2021  
 ORM Number: SAS-2020-00424  
 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 31.838836 Longitude -81.650848

**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.

**C. Clean Water Act Section 404**

Territorial Seas and Traditional Navigable Waters ((a)(1) waters): <sup>3</sup>			
(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.

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

<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>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
Wetland 1	2.28	acre(s)	(a)(4) Wetland separated from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water only by an artificial structure allowing a direct hydrologic surface connection between the wetland and the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water, in a typical year.	Wetland 1 is part of a larger forested wetland complex that extends west off the subject site and has a direct hydrologic surface connection through a culvert under W 15th Street. According to aerial imagery, the wetland complex directly abuts Horse Creek west of West 15th Street. Horse Creek is a tributary that ultimately drains to the Ogeechee River.
Wetland 4	4.39	acre(s)	(a)(4) Wetland separated from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water only by an artificial structure allowing a direct hydrologic surface connection between the wetland and the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water, in a typical year.	Wetland 4 is part of a larger forested wetland complex that extends west off the subject site and has a direct hydrologic surface connection through a culvert under W 15th Street. According to aerial imagery, the wetland complex directly abuts Horse Creek west of West 15th Street. Horse Creek is a tributary that ultimately drains to the Ogeechee River.
Wetland 5	0.15	acre(s)	(a)(4) Wetland separated from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water only by an artificial structure allowing a direct hydrologic surface connection between the wetland and the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water, in a typical year.	Wetland 5 is part of a larger forested wetland complex that extends west off the subject site and has a direct hydrologic surface connection through a culvert under W 15th Street. According to aerial imagery, the wetland complex directly abuts Horse Creek west of West 15th Street. Horse Creek is a tributary that ultimately drains to the Ogeechee River.



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**D. Excluded Waters or Features**

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): <sup>4</sup>			
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Wetland 2	0.03 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	Wetland 2 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 direct hydrologic surface connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year.
Wetland 3	1.74 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	Wetland 3 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 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: [AJD Request, submitted 9/14/2020](#)  
This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.  
Rationale: [N/A](#)
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: [Title\(s\) and/or date\(s\)](#).
- Photographs: [Aerial: 1993 GoogleEarth Image](#)
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [Date\(s\)](#).
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [SAS-2020-00424](#)
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [NRCS Soil Map, 1/16/2020](#)
- USFWS NWI maps: [National Wetland Inventory Map, 1/16/2020](#)
- USGS topographic maps: [USGS Topo Map, 1/16/2020](#)

**Other data sources used to aid in this determination:**

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
<a href="#">USGS Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">USDA Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>

<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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Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
NOAA Sources	2010 Topographic Lidar
USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

**B. Typical year assessment(s):** The data forms provided by Resource Land Consultants, LLC indicate that a they performed a wetland delineation of the project area on 1/24/2020. Using the Atecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from multiple weather stations, we have determined that normal rainfall conditions were present for the nearest weather stations on the date of the wetland delineation.

**C. Additional comments to support AJD:**

Wetland 2 is completely surrounded by upland and has no connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. Wetland 3 extends off the property to the east but is completely surrounded by upland and has no connection to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters. The wetland boundary of Wetland 3 matches historic aerial imagery from GoogleEarth and it also matches up to the NWI data.