



**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): 3/24/2021  
 ORM Number: SAS-2020-00589  
 Associated JDs: SAS-2009-00273, SAS-2009-00274, SAS-2009-00278  
 Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Georgia City: Pooler County/Parish/Borough: Chatham  
 Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.0996 Longitude -81.2102

**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): <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.	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>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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**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
Pond	0.91	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).	The pond is not adjacent to any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters, nor does it abut any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters, and it is not inundated by any (a)(1)-(a)(3) waters in a typical year. It 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. The pond appears to have been excavated in upland and does not appear to be an impoundment of a jurisdictional water.

**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 to Corps on 08/17/2020, supplemental information received 01/05/2021 and 02/18/2021.](#)

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: [Other: Site photographs 8/13/2020](#)

Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [Date\(s\).](#)

Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [SAS-2009-00273, SAS-2009-00274, and SAS-2009-00278 all on April 24, 2009](#)

Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)

USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [Figure 3 dated August 13, 2020](#)

USFWS NWI maps: [Figure 4 dated August 13, 2020](#)

USGS topographic maps: [Figure 2 dated August 13, 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>
<a href="#">NOAA Sources</a>	<a href="#">Figure 7 dated August 13, 2020 LiDAR from 2010</a>
<a href="#">USACE Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">State/Local/Tribal Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">Other 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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- B. Typical year assessment(s):** The data forms provided by Resource Land Consultants indicate that they performed a wetland delineation of the project area on 8/11/2020. Using the Antecedent Precipitation Tool Version 1.0, which used rainfall data from the Savannah International Airport weather station, we have determined the delineation was conducted during the wet season (WebWIMP H2O Balance) and that “normal” rainfall conditions were present for the nearest weather station on the date of the wetland delineation.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD:** The pond was constructed entirely within uplands and there is no direct hydrologic surface connection between the pond and other jurisdictional waters in a typical year. The pond is 5.6 miles from the nearest TNW, the Lower Savannah River.