



**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): 7/7/2021

ORM Number: SAS-2021-00193

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Georgia City: Riceboro County/Parish/Borough: Liberty

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 31.7649 Longitude -81.4310

**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
Wetland B	1.34 acre(s)	RHA Tidal water is subject to the ebb and flow of the tide	Wetland B is subject to ebb and flow of the tide and also abuts Peacock Creek, which is tidally influenced.

**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
Wetland B	1.34 acre(s)	(a)(1) Water is also subject to Sections 9 or 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act - RHA Tidal water is subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.	Wetland B is subject to ebb and flow of the tide and also abuts Peacock Creek, which is tidally influenced.

<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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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	
Wetland C (Wetland)	0.12 acre(s)	(a)(4) Wetland abuts an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water.	Wetland C directly abuts Wetland B which is a tidally influenced system that directly abuts Peacock Creek both are (a)(1) waters by definition of the NWPR.	

**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 A	0.14 acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	This feature 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 in a typical year, 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 JD Request submitted to the Corps on February 26, 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: [Aerial: Figure No. 5: Aerial, Figure No. 6: Color-Infrared Imagery](#)
- ☐ Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [N/A](#)
- ☐ Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [N/A](#)
- ☒ Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)
- ☒ USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [Figure No. 3: NRCS Soil Map](#)
- ☒ USFWS NWI maps: [Figure No. 4: National Wetlands Inventory](#)

<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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☒ USGS topographic maps: [Figure No. 2: USGS Topographic Map](#)

**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>	N/A.
<a href="#">USDA Sources</a>	N/A.
<a href="#">NOAA Sources</a>	N/A.
<a href="#">USACE Sources</a>	N/A.
<a href="#">State/Local/Tribal Sources</a>	N/A.
<a href="#">Other Sources</a>	N/A.

**B. Typical year assessment(s):** The data forms provided by Resource and Land Consultants, indicate that they reviewed the project area on February 11, 2021, and the APT results for that date indicate that the site visit was conducted with a "Incipient Wetness" Drought Index (PDSI), under "normal" conditions.

**C. Additional comments to support AJD:** Wetland A listed on this AJD is a depressional feature that is surrounded by uplands. A review of aerial imagery, USFWS NWI data, USGS Topographic Maps, and other data sources does not indicate that Wetland A has any clear potential to meet the definition of an adjacent wetland under the NWPR. Wetland B is tidally influenced and thus is an (a)(1) water. Wetlands B and C on this AJD directly abut Peacock Creek, also an (a)(1) water as it is tidally influenced.