

# DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, CHARLESTON DISTRICT 69 A HAGOOD AVENUE CHARLESTON, SC 29403-5107

April 21,2022

Regulatory Division

Mr. Chris Lake
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Dear Mr. Lake:

This is in response to your request for an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) (SAC-2022-00158) received in our office on January 20, 2022, for a 1.48-acre site located on Saint James Avenue in Summerville, Berkeley County, South Carolina (Latitude: 33.0455°, Longitude: -80.0784°). An AJD is used to indicate the Corps has identified the presence or absence of wetlands and/or other aquatic resources on a site, including their accurate location(s) and boundaries, as well as their jurisdictional status pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA) (33 U.S.C. § 1344) and/or navigable waters of the United States pursuant to Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 (RHA) (33 U.S.C. § 403).

The site is shown on the attached plat entitled "A PLAT OF A RESURVEY OF A ACRE PARCEL AS BEING SHOWN ON A PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT CABINET C PAGE 98C" and dated February 2, 2022, prepared by Mathis & Muldrow Land Surveying, Inc. Based on, a review of aerial photography, topographic maps, National Wetlands Inventory maps, soil survey information, and Wetland Determination Data Form(s). We conclude the site, as shown on the referenced plat, does not contain any aquatic resources, including aquatic resources that would be subject to regulatory jurisdiction under Section 404 of the CWA or Section 10 of the RHA.

Attached is a form describing the basis of jurisdiction for the delineated area(s). Note that some or all of these areas may be regulated by other state or local government agencies, and you should contact the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Bureau of Water, or Department of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, to determine the limits of their jurisdiction.

This AJD is valid for five (5) years from the date of this letter unless new information warrants revision before the expiration date. This AJD is an appealable action under the Corps of Engineers administrative appeal procedures defined at 33 CFR Part 331. The administrative appeal options, process and appeals request form is attached for your convenience and use.

This AJD was conducted pursuant to Corps of Engineers' regulatory authority to identify the limits of Corps of Engineers' jurisdiction for the particular site identified in this request. This AJD may not be valid for the wetland conservation provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985. If you or your tenant are USDA program participants, or anticipate participation in USDA programs, you should request a certified wetland determination from the local office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service, prior to starting work.

In all future correspondence, please refer to file number SAC-2022-00158. A copy of this letter is forwarded to State and/or Federal agencies for their information. If you have any questions, please contact Rich Fortuna, Project Manager, at (843) 926-4194, or by email at Richard.C.Fortuna@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Jeremy Kinney Project Manager

Jeremy Kinney

Attachments:

Dry Land Approved Jurisdictional Determination Form
Notification of Appeal Options
A PLAT OF A RESURVEY OF A ACRE PARCEL AS BEING SHOWN ON A PLAT
RECORDED IN PLAT CABINET C PAGE 98C

Copies Furnished:

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#### DRY LAND APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM<sup>1</sup> **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

#### **SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): April 21, 2022
- DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: SAC-2022-00158 CDP Summerville
- PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 33.0455 °, Long80.0784 °					
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REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):					

#### SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Field Determination. Date(s):

#### A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There are no "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area.

#### B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.

There are no "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area.

D.

SECT.	ION III: DATA SOURCES.				
A. SU	PPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and				
re	equested, appropriately reference sources below):				
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-	CAB S PG 98C				
<u> </u>	Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.				
	Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.				
	Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.				
	Data sheets prepared by the Corps:				
	U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas:				
	USGS NHD data.				
	USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.				
	U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name:				
•	USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: Earth Star Geographics CNESA DS, USDA USGS AeroGRD, GN and the GIS User community				
	National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name:				
	State/Local wetland inventory map(s):				
	FEMA/FIRM maps:				
	100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)				
V	Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date):				
	Other (Name & Date): 1 of 2 photos provided by the applicant, dated January 20,2022				
	Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:				
	Applicable/supporting case law:				
	Applicable/supporting scientific literature:				
	Other information (please specify):				

B. REQUIRED ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD. EXPLAIN RATIONALE FOR DETERMINATION THAT THE REVIEW AREA ONLY INCLUDES DRY LAND: There are no aquatic resources or potential aquatic resources in the 1.42-acre review area that would warrant the application of a wetland delineation, significant nexus analysis, navigability determination, and/or

delineation of the ebb and flow of the tides. There are no features that have lateral limits of jurisdiction (e.g., OHWM).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This form is for use only in recording approved JDs involving dry land. It extracts the relevant elements of the longer approved JD form in use since 2007 for aquatic areas and adds no new fields.

## NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OPTIONS AND PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR APPEAL

Applicant:	File Number:	Date:		
Attached is:	See Section below			
INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT (S	A			
PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission)		В		
PERMIT DENIAL		С		
APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL D	ETERMINATION	D		
PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONA	L DETERMINATION	Е		

SECTION I - The following identifies your rights and options regarding an administrative appeal of the above decision. Additional information may be found at http://usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg or Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331.

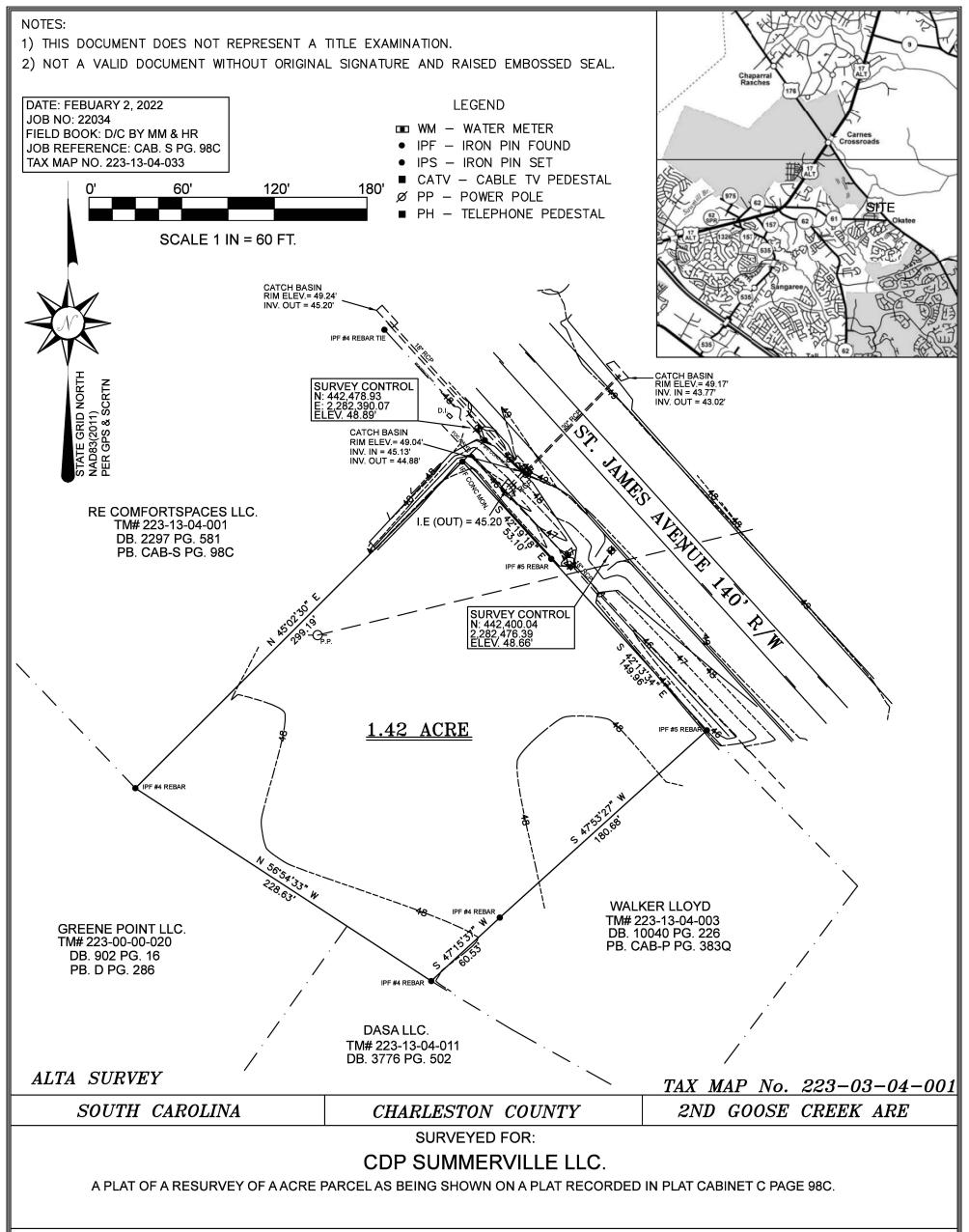
A: INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or object to the permit.

- ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final
  authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
  signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
  to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- OBJECT: If you object to the permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may request that the permit be modified accordingly. You must complete Section II of this form and return the form to the district engineer. Your objections must be received by the district engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice, or you will forfeit your right to appeal the permit in the future. Upon receipt of your letter, the district engineer will evaluate your objections and may: (a) modify the permit to address all of your concerns, (b) modify the permit to address some of your objections, or (c) not modify the permit having determined that the permit should be issued as previously written. After evaluating your objections, the district engineer will send you a proffered permit for your reconsideration, as indicated in Section B below.

#### B: PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or appeal the permit

- ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final
  authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
  signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
  to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- APPEAL: If you choose to decline the proffered permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may appeal the declined permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- C: PERMIT DENIAL: You may appeal the denial of a permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- D: APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You may accept or appeal the approved JD or provide new information.
- ACCEPT: You do not need to notify the Corps to accept an approved JD. Failure to notify the Corps within 60 days of the date of this notice, means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.
- APPEAL: If you disagree with the approved JD, you may appeal the approved JD under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the Division Engineer, South Atlantic Division, 60 Forsyth St, SW, Atlanta, GA 30308-8801. This form must be received by the Division Engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- E: PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You do not need to respond to the Corps regarding the preliminary JD. The Preliminary JD **is not appealable**. If you wish, you may request an approved JD (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction. Also you may provide new information for further consideration by the Corps to reevaluate the JD.

SECTION II - REQUEST FOR APPEAL or OBJECTIONS TO AN INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT				
REASONS FOR APPEAL OR OBJECTIONS: (Describ	e your reasons for appealing the d	ecision or your objections to an		
initial proffered permit in clear concise statements. You may attac	h additional information to this fo	rm to clarify where your reasons		
or objections are addressed in the administrative record.)				
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The appeal is limited to a review				
record of the appeal conference or meeting, and any supplemental				
clarify the administrative record. Neither the appellant nor the Con				
you may provide additional information to clarify the location of in	·	Iministrative record.		
POINT OF CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS OR INFOR				
If you have questions regarding this decision and/or the appeal	If you only have questions regard			
process you may contact the Corps biologist who signed the letter to which this notification is attached. The name and	also contact: Mr. Philip A. S	Shannin Appeal Review Officer		
telephone number of this person is given at the end of the letter.	CESAD-PDS-			
or and person is given at the end of the letter.		eet Southwest, Floor M9		
	Atlanta, Georg			
RIGHT OF ENTRY: Your signature below grants the right of entry				
consultants, to conduct investigations of the project site during the course of the appeal process. You will be provided a 15 day				
notice of any site investigation, and will have the opportunity to pa		m. i		
	Date:	Telephone number:		
Signature of appellant or agent.				



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I HEREBY STATE TO THE BEST OF MY PROFESSIONAL KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION AND BELIEF, THE SURVEY SHOWN HEREON WAS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MINIMUM STANDARDS MANUAL FOR THE PRACTICE OF LAND SURVEYING IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA, AND MEETS OR EXCEEDS THE REQUIREMENTS FOR A CLASS " " SURVEY AS SPECIFIED THEREIN. ALSO THERE ARE NO ENCROACHMENTS, PROJECTIONS AFFECTING THE PROPERTY OTHER THAN THOSE SHOWN.

IS THIS PROPERTY IN AN F.I.A. DESIGNATED FLOOD HAZARD AREA? NO FIRM MAP NUMBER: 45015C0590E EFFECTIVE DATE 12/07/2018

