

# 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): September 15, 2020

ORM Number: SAC-2019-01975

Associated JDs: N/A Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>:

State: SC City: Goose Creek County: Berkeley County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.9647° Longitude -80.0047°

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		1899 Section 10 (§ 10) <sup>2</sup>	
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### D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters  $((b)(1) - (b)(12))^4$ :

<b>Exclusion Name</b>	Exclusion Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Excluded Water Wetland A	0.66 acres	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland	This wetland is not contiguous or directly abutting an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water. The wetland continues off-site where it flows into a roadside ditch designed to convey stormwater from Luken Road. Therefore, this wetland is determined meet the (b)(1) non-adjacent wetland
			criteria. Please see Section (C) for more information.

### 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.
  - \_X\_ Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: Wetlands Determination PIN 2520000042 1.33 Acre Parcel Luken Road Goose Creek, Berkeley County, South Carolina dated December 2, 2019.

This information (is and is not) sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: The information submitted refers to a storm water ditch and an isolated wetland, per a USFWS NWI Map. However, a figure displaying these features was not submitted as part of the information submitted and no data sheets were submitted. The information submitted does correctly refer to a previous wetland determination from this office and provided sufficient information for the location of the site.

- \_X\_ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region dated December 10, 2020.
- **\_X**\_ Photographs: (NA, aerial, other, aerial and other) SAC-2019-01975 Delineation Photos dated December 10, 2020
- X Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: December 10, 2020
- **\_X**\_ Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): *Wetland Determination (N/R 88-750)* dated November 17, 1988.
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.
  - USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- X USFWS NWI maps: Submitted as part of the December 2, 2019 Wetlands Determination report.
- USGS topographic maps: *Title(s)* and/or date(s).

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

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	N/A.
USDA Sources	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.

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USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

- B. Typical year assessment(s): N/A
- C. Additional comments to support AJD: According to the Navigable Waters Protection Rule, a ditch cannot render an otherwise isolated wetland an "adjacent wetland" and thus jurisdictional on that basis, unless the ditch itself is a tributary. Therefore, Excluded Water Wetland A is determined to be a non-jurisdictional (b)(1) excluded water and not subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

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