

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Charleston District
Checklist for 2021 Nationwide Permit Review
Nationwide Permit 6
Survey Activities
(10/404)**

SAC#: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Waterway/Location: _____

Project Name: _____

The purpose of this Nationwide Permit (NWP) checklist is to assist with determining if a proposed activity qualifies for use of this NWP. The checklist will also assist with determining when a Pre-Construction Notification (PCN) is be required and/or if other actions that may be required during a PCN review.

A PCN may be required for all activities authorized by NWP 6. Each question in Section A and B of the checklist refers to a specific 2021 NWP Regional Condition (RC). The 2021 NWP Regional Conditions can be found at <https://www.sac.usace.army.mil/Missions/Regulatory>

Complete Sections A-C

A. Water Quality Certification (WQC) and/or Coastal Zone Consistency (CZC) required from SCDHEC

1. For proposed activities that are located within the Critical Area of the Coastal Zone, a Critical Area Permit (CAP), which also serves as the CZC, from SCDHEC is required. Has the prospective permittee obtained a CAP? (RC D.17 & AND F.3)

Yes (If WQC was issued or waived, if required, Corps can verify NWP).

No (If WQC was issued or waived, if required, Corps can issue a provisional verification. CZC presumed concurrence or CAP is required prior to commencement of work). **N/A**

B. Regional Conditions:

1. Does the prospective permittee understand that use of the nationwide permits does not preclude requirements to obtain all other applicable Federal, State, county, and local government authorizations? (RC C.1)

Yes

2. Would the proposed activity occur in areas known or suspected to have sediment contamination? (RC C.2)

Yes (Activity cannot be authorized by a NWP, unless NWP 6, NWP 38, NWP 38 and NWP 53, or NWP 20) **No**

3. Would the proposed activity, both temporary and permanent, be located in a FEMA designated floodway? (RC C.3)

Yes (PCN required) **No**

4. Would the proposed activity be located in or adjacent to an authorized USACE Civil Works project, including Federal Navigation projects, as listed below? (RC C.4)

- a. **USACE Civil Works projects:** Buck Creek in Horry County, Eagle Creek in Dorchester County, Kingstree Branch in Williamsburg County, Sawmill Branch in Berkeley and Dorchester Counties, Scotts Creek in Newberry County, Socastee Creek in Horry County and Turkey Creek in Sumter County, Wilson Branch in Chesterfield County, Edisto River in Orangeburg and Dorchester Counties, North Edisto River in Aitken and Orangeburg Counties, Folly Beach in Charleston County, Hunting Island Beach, waste water treatment plant and water line in Beaufort County, Myrtle Beach in Georgetown and Horry County, Pawleys Island Beach in Georgetown County, Edisto Island Beach in Charleston County, Crab Bank in Charleston County, Morris Island Lighthouse in Charleston County, Miller Corner Disposal area Phragmites Control in Georgetown County, Cape Marsh Management area (Santee Coastal Reserve) in Charleston County, Murphy Island in Charleston County, Pocotaligo River and Swamp in Clarendon and Sumter Counties, Pinopolis Dam in Berkeley County, Battery Pringle in Charleston County, Castle Pinckney in Charleston County, Pompion Hill

Chapel along the Cooper River in Berkeley County, Drayton Hall in Charleston County, Indian Bluff in Orangeburg County, Singleton Swash at Shore Drive in Horry County, Turkey Creek Bridge at Pineview Drive in Lancaster, Big Dutchman Creek Bridge at West Oak Drive in Rock Hill, SC, Calabash Branch Bridge at Tom Joye Road in Clover, Blue Branch Bridge at Fortanberry Road in Gaffney, Glenn Creek Bridge at Sulphur Springs Road in Spartanburg County, Cow Castle Creek (Bowman) in Orangeburg County, Cowpen Swamp at Simpson Creek in Horry County, Crabtree Swamp in Horry County, Saluda River (North, South, and Middle Fork) in Greenville County, Shot Pouch Creek in Sumter County, Simpson Creek in Horry County, and Todd Swamp in Horry County.

Yes (PCN required) No

- b. **Defined Federal Navigation projects:** Ashley River (0.5 miles east of Hwy 7 bridge downstream to the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway (AIWW)), Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway ((AIWW) GA/SC line to SC/NC line), Brookgreen Garden Canal, Calabash Creek, Charleston Harbor (including the Cooper River, Town Creek, Shem Creek to Coleman Blvd and Mount Pleasant Channel), Folly River, Georgetown Harbor (Winyah Bay, Sampit River and Bypass Channel), Jeremy Creek, Little River Inlet, Murrells Inlet (Main Creek), Port Royal Harbor, Shipyard River, Savannah River (Below Augusta) and Town Creek McClellanville (i.e., Five Fathoms Creek, AIWW to Bulls Bay).

Yes (PCN required) No

- c. **Undefined Federal Navigation projects:** Adams Creek, Archers Creek (From intersection with Beaufort River for 2 miles), Edisto River (River mile 0.00 to 175.0), Great Pee Dee River (Waccamaw River via Bull Creek then to Smith Mills, then to Cheraw), Lynches River/Clark Creek (Clark Creek to Lynches River, River Mile 0.0 to 56.0), Mingo Creek (to Hemmingway Bridge), Salkehatchie River (5 miles above Toby’s Bluff to Hickory Hill, River mile 20.4 to 62.3), Santee River (Closed to navigation at mile 87 (Santee Dam)), Waccamaw River (river mile 0.0 to 90 (state line)), Wateree River (Mouth to Camden), and Village Creek (Morgan River to Porpoise Fish Co., 2.2 miles).

Yes (PCN required) No

5. If the proposed activity would be located in or adjacent to an authorized Federal Navigation project, as referenced in Regional Condition C.4.b, does the project drawings include the following information: (1) State Plane Coordinates (NAD

1983) for a minimum of two corners of each structure or fill where it is closest to the Federal channel; (2) the distance from watermost edge of the proposed structure or fill to the nearest edge of the Federal channel; AND (3) Mean Low Water line and the Mean High Water line? (RC C.5)

N/A **Yes (PCN required)** **No (Revise the drawings to include this information)**

6. For all NWP's requiring a PCN AND when the activity involves the discharge of dredged or fill material into waters of the U.S. associated with mechanized land clearing that results in the permanent conversion of forested or scrub-shrub wetlands to herbaceous wetlands, does the PCN include the following information: (1) a written description and/or drawings of the proposed conversion activity and (2) acreage of the permanent conversion? (RC C.6)

Yes **No (The PCN should be revised to include this information)** N/A

7. Does the activity comply with all of the NWP General Conditions?

Yes **No (Activity does not qualify for use of a NWP)**

B. Nationwide Permit #6

1. Does the proposed activity involve survey activities, such as core sampling, seismic exploratory operations, plugging of seismic shot holes and other exploratory-type bore holes, exploratory trenching, soils surveys, sampling, sample plots or transects for wetland delineations, and historic resources surveys?

Yes **No (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)**

2. If the proposed activity involves "exploratory trenching", does the exploratory trenching include mechanical land clearing of the upper soil profile to expose bedrock or substrate, for the purposes of mapping or sampling exposed material?

NA Yes **No (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)**

3. If the proposed activity involves “exploratory trenching”, will the area in which the exploratory trench is dug be restored to its pre-construction elevation upon completion of the work?

NA Yes **No (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)**

4. If the proposed activity involves “exploratory trenching”, will the exploratory trench drain a water of the US?

NA **Yes (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

5. If the proposed activity involves “exploratory trenching” in wetlands, will the top 6 to 12 inches of the trench be backfilled with topsoil from the trench?

NA Yes No

6. If the proposed activity involves the construction of temporary pads, does the discharge exceed 1/10th-acre of waters of the U.S.?

NA **Yes (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

7. Does the proposed activity involve the discharge and/or structures associated with the recovery of historic resources?

NA **Yes (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

8. Does the proposed activity involve drilling and the discharge of excavated material from test wells for oil and gas exploration?

NA **Yes (Activity does not qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

9. Does the activity involve plugging of oil and gas exploration test wells?

NA Yes No

10. Does the proposed activity involve fill for roads or similar activities?

NA **Yes (Activity does not
qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

11. Does the proposed activity involve any permanent structures?

NA **Yes (Activity does not
qualify for use of NWP 6)** No

12. The discharge of drilling mud and cuttings may require a permit under section 402 of the CWA.

NA Yes No

Checklist Completed By: _____

Date: _____