



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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I. ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Completion Date of Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD): 16 February 2021

ORM Number: SAC-2021-00169

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location¹:

State: SC City: Georgetown County: Georgetown County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 33.36132 Longitude -79.22398

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: There are no, open water features, features that exhibit tributary characteristics or meet the three parameters of a wetland. The site consists entirely of uplands.
- 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)²

§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

C. Clean Water Act Section 404

Territorial Seas and Traditional Navigable Waters ((a)(1) waters)³

(a)(1) Name	(a)(1) Size	(a)(1) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(1) Determination
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

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):

¹ Map(s)/Figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

² If the navigable water is not subject to the ebb and flow of the tide and 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.

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⁴ 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.

⁵ 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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(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12))⁴:

Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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: **“Clemson University – Baruch Institute / Outbuilding Site Design SAC-2021-00169 / Georgetown County, South Carolina / Request for AJD for Georgetown County Land disturbance permit WK / Dickson Project No. 20200073.00.GV,”** dated January 21, 2021, submitted by WK Dickson on behalf of Clemson University – Belle W. Baruch Institute of Coastal Ecology and Forest Science”.

This information *(is)* sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: Wetland data forms and information included in the original submittal are considered to be a reasonable representation of site conditions at the time of collection.

Data sheets prepared by the Corps: *Title(s) and/or date(s)*.

Photographs: Aerial photographs provided by WK Dickson, in the submittal dated January 21, 2021. All photos depict a native upland pine flatwood, endemic to the coastal areas of Georgetown County, SC, devoid of potential aquatic resources. ESRI base map color imagery, USGS National Map 3D Elevation Program (3DEP) (LiDAR imagery) published August 13, 2020.

Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: *Date(s)*.

Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): *N/A*

Antecedent Precipitation Tool: *provide detailed discussion in Section III.B. N/A*

USDA NRCS Soil Survey: NRCS Soil Survey Geographic Database (SSURGO) created 4 Apr 2019 and updated 26 Aug 2020. ESRI Map Service depicts the soil type Lakeland Sand.

USFWS NWI maps: USFWS NWI Map Service dated May 29, 2012, updated July 17, 2020. USFWS NWI Maps do not depict any aquatic features within the project boundary.

USGS topographic maps: USGS 7.5 Minute Index (North Island Quad). Topographic map depicts primarily undeveloped forested uplands that do not contain any symbols that would typically represent the presence of an aquatic feature.

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	Topographic Maps, 3DEPElevation- Slope and 3DEPElevation – Hillshade /LiDAR overlays

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USDA Sources	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	CESAC Reg View accessed on February 16, 2021
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

B. Typical year assessment(s): N/A

C. Additional comments to support AJD: This review covers a 0.49 acre site with no open water features, features that exhibit characteristics of a tributary, or areas that meet the three parameters of a wetland located within the project area. The site consists entirely of uplands.

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