

# 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): June 15, 2021

ORM Number: SAC-2020-01312

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State: SC City: Charleston County: Berkeley

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.880756 Longitude -79.929558

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,	•	1899 Section 10 (§ 10) <sup>2</sup>	
§ 10 Nam	§ 10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Tributaries ((a)(2) waters):

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	(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):

to do so. Corps Districts may, in case-by-case instances, choose to identify some or all of these waters within the review area.

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(a)(3) Name	(a)(3) Size	(a)(3) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(3) Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):

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

<b>Exclusion Name</b>	<b>Exclusion Size</b>	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	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.
  - X Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: Request for Corps Jurisdictional Determination, received on September 21, 2020.

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

Rationale: N/A.

\_\_ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: N/A

- X Photographs: Ground-level photos provided by the consultant (September 2020); Google Earth aerial imagery from 2/13/1994, 6/13/2002, 9/16/2005, 2/3/2017, 5/3/2020).
- Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: N/A
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): N/A
- \_\_\_ Antecedent Precipitation Tool: N/A
- X USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Berkeley County, South Carolina (Web Soil Survey, accessed 6/14/2021)
- X USFWS NWI maps: NWI Wetlands Mapper, accessed 6/14/2021
- X USGS topographic maps: North Charleston 7.5 minute map, 2020).

### 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.
USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	Berkeley County LiDAR (USGS/South Carolina Department of Natural Resources)
Other Sources	N/A.

- B. Typical year assessment(s): N/A.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD: No aquatic features or evidence of wetlands are present within the review area. Aerial photography from the past 27 years shows that the parcel was heavily disturbed during the 1990's and fill material was placed to level the site. Topographic maps and LiDAR

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data show that the parcel is higher than the surrounding area, which has increased the depth to the water table and likely prevents water from collecting on the site. A data sheet prepared by the requestor using the 1987 Wetland Delineation Manual and the Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Regional Supplement indicates that wetland conditions were not present on the site since hydrology and hydric soils were not observed. Based on this information, the site is composed entirely of dry land and is not subject to regulation under Section 404 of the CWA or Sections 9 and 10 of the RHA.

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