

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): 08-MAR-2021

ORM Number: SAC-2020-00998

Associated JDs: SAC-2020-00861 Woodstock Road Tract

Review Area Location¹:

State/Territory: SC City: Georgetown County: Georgetown County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 33.346998 Longitude -79.383651

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: N/A
	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	Ø	10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
Ν	I/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) Crit	eria Rationale for (a)(3) Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination
Jurisdictional	0.06 acre	(a)(4) Wetland separated from an	The onsite wetland is part of a larger wetland system
Wetland 1		(a)(1)-(a)(3) water only by an	that continues offsite to the west and would abut the

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		artificial structure allowing a direct hydrologic surface connection between the wetland and the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water in a typical year	downstream unnamed tidal tributary (a)(1) to the Sampit River but for the artificial structure, a linear transportation corridor that contains a railroad. A direct hydrologic surface connection to the downstream (a)(1) water is provided through a culvert and provides a surface connection within a typical year.
Jurisdictional Wetland 2	2.62 acres	(a)(4) Wetland separated from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water only by an artificial structure allowing a direct hydrologic surface connection between the wetland and the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water in a typical year	The onsite wetland is part of a larger wetland system that continues offsite to the northwest and would abut the downstream unnamed tidal tributary (a)(1) to the Sampit River but for the artificial structure, a linear transportation corridor that contains a railroad. A direct hydrologic surface connection to the downstream (a)(1) water is provided through a culvert and provides a surface connection within a typical year.

D. Excluded Waters or Features

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

Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Excluded Water 1	0.6 acre	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland	Excluded Water 1 does not abut and is not inundated by an (a)(1)-(3) water. Excluded Water 1 is completely encompassed by natural uplands and lacks a direct or indirect surface connection to (a)(1)-(3) waters.
Excluded Water 2	0.84 acre	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland	Excluded Water 2 does not abut and is not inundated by an (a)(1)-(3) water. Excluded Water 2 is completely encompassed by natural uplands and lacks a direct or indirect surface connection to (a)(1)-(3) waters.
Excluded Water 3	1474 linear feet	(b)(5) Ditch that is not an (a)(1) or (a)(2) water, and those portions of a ditch constructed in an (a)(4) water that do not satisfy the conditions of (c)(1)	Excluded Water 3 (Ditch) located within the review area is excavated entirely out of uplands and does not meet the criteria of a jurisdictional water. The feature is neither naturally occurring, a diversion of a tributary, nor constructed within the boundaries of an adjacent wetland. Flow, if any, within the feature appears to be directly in response to precipitation.

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: AJD Request submitted by The Brigman Company, Inc., on behalf of Alliance Consulting Engineers, on 21 Jul 2020. This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: The wetland data forms and information submitted by the agent are considered to be a reasonable representation of site conditions at the time of collection and are sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: N/A
- x Photographs: Photographs submitted by the agent dated 19 Jun 2020. Google Earth aerial

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	dated 20 Mar 2017.
	Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: N/A
	Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): N/A
	Antecedent Precipitation Tool: provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.
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	created 4 Apr 2019 and updated 26 Aug 2020.
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	and updated on July 17, 2020.
X	USGS topographic maps: USGS Topographic Map / Kilsock Island Quad / 7.5 Minute Index /
	1:240000

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	USGS Topographic Map
USDA Sources	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	SAC Regulatory Viewer accessed on 2 Mar 2021
State/Local/Tribal Sources	South Carolina StreamStats 2018
Other Sources	N/A.

- **B.** Typical year assessment(s): Antecedent Rainfall Calculator data for typical year determination was calculated based on the field collection date provided by the agent (17 Jun 2020). The Antecedent Rainfall Calculator data showed "wetter than normal" conditions at the time of data collection by the agent with a condition value of 15, which indicates that typical year hydrologic conditions may not be present. For this assessment, ten weather stations, located within a 14-mile radius, were used. Even though site conditions for the date of the data forms do not represent typical year hydrologic conditions and flow regimes, the status for the onsite waters remains unchanged.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD: The area in review contains 12 acres and includes two jurisdictional wetlands and three excluded waters. Jurisdictional Wetlands 1 and 2 are part of larger wetland systems that continue offsite to the west and would abut the downstream unnamed tidal tributary (a)(1) to the Sampit River (a)(1) but for the artificial structure, a linear transportation corridor that contains a railroad. A direct hydrologic surface connection to the downstream (a)(1) water is provided through culverts placed directly in the wetlands, which provide the requisite surface connection within a typical year. Excluded Waters 1 and 2 are non-adjacent wetlands (b)(1) and Excluded Water 3 is a Ditch (b)(5), excavated from natural uplands and lacks a direct and/or indirect surface connection to (a)(1)-(3) waters. Therefore, they were determined to be non-jurisdictional.

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