

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): October 6, 2020 ORM Number: SAC-2020-00491 Associated JDs: N/A Review Area Location¹: State: SC City: Mount Pleasant County: Charleston County Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 32.8766 Longitude -79.7428

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 or describe rationale.
 - 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

Ι	§ 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):

ſ	(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):

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

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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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D. Excluded Waters or Features

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

Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Excluded Water Ditch 1	221 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)	The ditch segment on this parcel represents 221 linear feet (0.01 acre) of ditch excavated within uplands and does not meet the criteria as any category of water.
Excluded Water Wetland 1	1 acre	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland	This wetland is a closed boundary polygon that is not contiguous to or directly abutting an $(a)(1)$ - $(a)(3)$ water. In addition, this wetland does not meet any of the other $(a)(4)$ criteria for adjacency and thus is an excluded water pursuant to $(b)(1)$. This wetland does abut Excluded Water Ditch 1, please see the Additional comments to support AJD section below 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: COE Delineation Request dated September 8, 2020
 - This information *is* sufficient for purposes of this AJD.
 - Rationale: N/A
 - Data sheets prepared by the Corps: N/A
 - X Photographs: Aerial: Figure 2. Aerial with Boundary Tisdale Tract dated August 12, 2020; Site Photographs: Submitted as part of the COE Delineation Request dated April 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: Figure 4. Soils Map Tisdale Tract dated August 12, 2020.
 - **X** USFWS NWI maps: Figure 5. Aerial with National Wetlands Inventory Map Tisdale Tract dated August 12, 2020.
 - **_X_** USGS topographic maps: *Figure 3. Quad Sheet (Sewee Bay) Tisdale Tract dated August 12, 2020.*

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	N/A.

Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

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Other Sources Figure 6. Aerial with LiDAR Map Tisdale Tract dated August 12, 2020

- **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 1 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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