This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION
A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): September 30, 2019
B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NUMBER, FILE NAME: JD Form 1 of 3; Charleston District, SAC-2018-01724, MNK Tract – Southern Parcel
C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
   State: South Carolina  County/parish/borough: Berkeley  City: Moncks Corner
   Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 33.0600°, Long. -80.0367°. Universal Transverse Mercator:
   Name of nearest waterbody: Canterhill Swamp
   Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) Into which the aquatic resource flows: Back River
   Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): HUC – 8: 03050201 Cooper River
   ☑ Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential jurisdictional areas is/are available upon request.
   ☑ Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc…) are associated with this action and are recorded on a different JD form.
D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):
   ☑ Office (Desk) Determination. Date: August 1, 2019
   ☑ Field Determination. Date(s): January 31, 2019

SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS
A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
   There Are no “navigable waters of the U.S.” within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area. [Required]
   ☑ Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.
   ☑ Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce.
   Explain:

B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
   There Are “waters of the U.S.” within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area. [Required]
   1. Waters of the U.S.
      a. Indicate presence of waters of U.S. in review area (check all that apply): ¹
         ☑ TNWs, including territorial seas
         ☑ Wetlands adjacent to TNWs
         ☑ Relatively permanent waters² (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☑ Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☑ Wetlands directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☑ Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☑ Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☑ Impoundments of jurisdictional waters
         ☑ Isolated (interstate or intrastate) waters, including isolated wetlands
      b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area:
         Non-wetland waters: Jurisdictional RPW 1 417 linear feet: 5’ width (ft) and/or 0.05 acres.
         Wetlands: Jurisdictional Wetland 5 – 0.295 acres.
      c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction based on: 1987 Delineation Manual, Established by OHWM, Pick List
         Elevation of established OHWM (if known): .

2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):³ [Including potentially jurisdictional features that upon assessment are NOT waters or wetlands]

¹ Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.
² For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least “seasonally” (e.g., typically 3 months).
³ Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.
Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain: There is an approximate 11 acre vegetated stormwater control pond at the north central portion of the site actively receiving upland stormwater from adjacent impervious surfaces off the site. According to a Nationwide Permit verified on March 27, 1997 (SAC-26-96-4063) no aquatic resources were identified in the area of the stormwater control pond. Therefore, the Corps determined the stormwater control pond was excavated from uplands. For these reasons, the pond was determined to be non-jurisdictional and not subject to regulation under Section 404 of the CWA.

SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS

A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over TNWs and wetlands adjacent to TNWs. If the aquatic resource is a TNW, complete Section IIIA.1 and Section III.D.1 only; if the aquatic resource is a wetland adjacent to a TNW, complete Sections IIIA.1 and 2 and Section III.D.1.; otherwise, see Section III.B below.

1. TNW
   Identify TNW: .
   Summarize rationale supporting determination: .

2. Wetland adjacent to TNW
   Summarize rationale supporting conclusion that wetland is “adjacent”: .

B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

This section summarizes information regarding characteristics of the tributary and its adjacent wetlands, if any, and it helps determine whether or not the standards for jurisdiction established under Rapanos have been met.

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over non-navigable tributaries of TNWs where the tributaries are “relatively permanent waters” (RPWs), i.e. tributaries that typically flow year-round or have continuous flow at least seasonally (e.g., typically 3 months). A wetland that directly abuts an RPW is also jurisdictional. If the aquatic resource is not a TNW, but has year-round (perennial) flow, skip to Section III.D.2. If the aquatic resource is a wetland directly abutting a tributary with perennial flow, skip to Section III.D.4.

A wetland that is adjacent to but that does not directly abut an RPW requires a significant nexus evaluation. Corps districts and EPA regions will include in the record any available information that documents the existence of a significant nexus between a relatively permanent tributary that is not perennial (and its adjacent wetlands if any) and a traditional navigable water, even though a significant nexus finding is not required as a matter of law.

If the waterbody4 is not an RPW, or a wetland directly abutting an RPW, a JD will require additional data to determine if the waterbody has a significant nexus with a TNW. If the tributary has adjacent wetlands, the significant nexus evaluation must consider the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands. This significant nexus evaluation that combines, for analytical purposes, the tributary and all of its adjacent wetlands is used whether the review area identified in the JD request is the tributary, or its adjacent wetlands, or both. If the JD covers a tributary with adjacent wetlands, complete Section III.B.1 for the tributary, Section III.B.2 for any onsite wetlands, and Section III.B.3 for all wetlands adjacent to that tributary, both onsite and offsite. The determination whether a significant nexus exists is determined in Section III.C below.

1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW
   (i) General Area Conditions:
      Watershed size: 128 acres;
      Drainage area: 128 acres
      Average annual rainfall: 49.1 inches
      Average annual snowfall: 0 inches
   (ii) Physical Characteristics:
      (a) Relationship with TNW:
         ☒ Tributary flows directly into TNW.
         ☑ Tributary flows through 2 tributaries before entering TNW.
         Project waters are 2.5 river miles from TNW.
         Project waters are 1 (or less) river miles from RPW.
         Project waters are 2.5 aerial (straight) miles from TNW.

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4 Note that the Instructional Guidebook contains additional information regarding swales, ditches, washes, and erosional features generally and in the arid West.
Project waters are 1 (or less) aerial (straight) miles from RPW. Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:

Identify flow route to TNW:\(^5\): Jurisdictional RPW 1 to offsite unnamed tributary of Laurel Swamp to an unnamed tributary of Sophia Swamp to Back River. Tributary stream order, if known: 1st order.

(b) General Tributary Characteristics (check all that apply):
Tributary is: [ ] Natural [ ] Artificial (man-made). Explain: [ ] Manipulated (man-altered). Explain: The tributary appeared to have been deepened and straightened during the site visit.

Tributary properties with respect to top of bank (estimate):
- Average width: 5 feet
- Average depth: 3 feet
- Average side slopes: 2:1.

Primary tributary substrate composition (check all that apply):
[ ] Silts
[ ] Sands
[ ] Concrete
[ ] Cobbles
[ ] Gravel
[ ] Muck
[ ] Bedrock
[ ] Vegetation. Type/% cover: [ ] Other. Explain:

Tributary condition/stability [e.g., highly eroding, sloughing banks]. Explain: Jurisdictional RPW 1 appeared to be stable. Erosion of channels appeared to be minimal. Presence of run/riffle/pool complexes. Explain: None observed. Tributary geometry: Relatively straight. Tributary gradient (approximate average slope): 1.84\%

(c) Flow:
Tributary provides for: Seasonal flow
Estimate average number of flow events in review area/year: 20 (or greater)
Describe flow regime: Seasonal, presence of water and flow were observed during the site visit. Other information on duration and volume:

Surface flow is: Confined. Characteristics:

Subsurface flow: Unknown. Explain findings:
[ ] Dye (or other) test performed:

Tributary has (check all that apply):
[ ] Bed and banks
[ ] OHWM\(^6\) (check all indicators that apply):
[ ] clear, natural line impressed on the bank
[ ] changes in the character of soil
[ ] shelving
[ ] vegetation matted down, bent, or absent
[ ] leaf litter disturbed or washed away
[ ] sediment deposition
[ ] water staining
[ ] other (list): the presence of litter and debris
[ ] destruction of terrestrial vegetation
[ ] the presence of wrack line
[ ] sediment sorting
[ ] scour
[ ] multiple observed or predicted flow events
[ ] abrupt change in plant community
[ ] other (list):
[ ] Discontinuous OHWM.\(^7\) Explain:

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction (check all that apply):
[ ] High Tide Line indicated by:
[ ] Mean High Water Mark indicated by:
[ ] survey to available datum;
[ ] physical markings;
[ ] vegetation lines/changes in vegetation types.

\(^5\) Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.

\(^6\)A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody’s flow regime (e.g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.

\(^7\)Ibid.
(iii) Chemical Characteristics:
Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).

Explain: The water quality of Jurisdictional RPW 1 appeared to be good as the water was clear and flowing (observed during the site visit). The surrounding land use consists of commercial/industrial. Detriments to water quality within the tributary may be the result of discharge from a storm water detention basin detailed below.

Identify specific pollutants, if known: Pollutants that may be present in Jurisdictional RPW 1 may include gasoline, oil, sediment and debris from the storm water detention basin which collects storm water from the surrounding impervious surfaces of the commercial/industrial complex located northwest of Jurisdictional RPW 1.

(iv) Biological Characteristics. Channel supports (check all that apply):
- Riparian corridor. Characteristics (type, average width): The riparian corridor consists of mixed deciduous/coniferous forest, industrial land use and U.S. Route 52. The riparian corridor is generally narrow due to the close proximity of U.S. Route 52.
- Habitat for:
  - Federally Listed species. Explain findings: .
  - Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: .
  - Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: .
- Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings: The channel of Jurisdictional RPW 1 had areas of leaf litter and debris that may provide habitat for macroinvertebrates and amphibians. Additionally, larger wildlife such as mammals and wading birds may also utilize the channel as a food and water source.

2. Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

(i) Physical Characteristics:
(a) General Wetland Characteristics:
Properties:
- Wetland size: 0.295 acres
- Wetland type. Explain: Palustrine Forested.
Project wetlands cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain: .

(b) General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:
Flow is: Intermittent flow. Explain: Flow from Jurisdictional Wetland 5 to Jurisdictional RPW 1 is intermittent and may occur seasonally and/or after rain events when surface water in the wetland may be present.

Surface flow is: Discrete
Characteristics: .

Subsurface flow: Unknown. Explain findings: .
- Dye (or other) test performed: .

(c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:
- Directly abutting
- Not directly abutting
- Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain: .
- Separated by berm/barrier. Explain: .

(d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW
Project wetlands are 2-5 river miles from TNW.
Project waters are 2-5 aerial (straight) miles from TNW.
Flow is from: Wetland to navigable waters.
Estimate approximate location of wetland as within the 500-year or greater floodplain.

(ii) Chemical Characteristics:
Characterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain: During the site visit, the wetland was saturated. Land use within this drainage area is comprised of commercial, forested land and forested wetland.

Identify specific pollutants, if known: .

(iii) Biological Characteristics. Wetland supports (check all that apply):
- Riparian buffer. Characteristics (type, average width): .
- Vegetation type/percent cover. Explain: Vegetation type consists mainly of mature forest canopy with sapling and herbaceous layers comprising the understory.
- Habitat for: .
C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Draw connections between the features documented and the effects on the TNW, as identified in the Rapanos Guidance and discussed in the Instructional Guidebook. Factors to consider include, for example:

- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to carry pollutants or flood waters to TNWs, or to reduce the amount of pollutants or flood waters reaching a TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), provide habitat and lifecycle support functions for fish and other species, such as feeding, nesting, spawning, or rearing young for species that are present in the TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to transfer nutrients and organic carbon that support downstream foodwebs?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have other relationships to the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the TNW?
Note: the above list of considerations is not inclusive and other functions observed or known to occur should be documented below:

1. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW that has no adjacent wetlands and flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary itself, then go to Section III.D.

2. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW and its adjacent wetlands, where the non-RPW flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D.

3. Significant nexus findings for wetlands adjacent to an RPW but that do not directly abut the RPW. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D.

Documentation for the Record only: Significant nexus findings for seasonal RPWs and/or wetlands abutting seasonal RPWs: Jurisdictional RPW 1 appears to flow most of the year and is a solid blue line tributary on topographic maps. Wetland 5 directly abuts Jurisdictional RPW 1 and shares a direct hydrological connection. Jurisdictional RPW 1 flows to an offsite unnamed tributary of Laurel Swamp to unnamed tributary of Sophia Swamp to Back River. Tributaries not only provide habitat for various aquatic and terrestrial organisms, including a variety of insects, amphibians, reptiles, mammals and birds, but are also a source of food, nutrients, and carbon for organisms located downstream. Runoff, which may contain pollutants, sediments, excess nutrients, etc., from adjacent uplands that flows through wetlands before entering tributaries has the opportunity to be filtered out prior to flowing to downstream TNWs. Excess water can temporarily be stored in wetlands thereby minimizing potential flooding of downstream areas. In addition, water can also slowly be released from wetlands downstream to maintain seasonal flow volumes. Runoff water may also transport organisms, nutrients, and carbon from the wetlands into the tributaries, which continue to flow to downstream TNWs. The wetland within the review area is forested and provides water retention and storage functions allowing for slow release to downstream waters, act as a nutrient and carbon sink, as well as provide habitat for mammalian, avian, and aquatic species.

According to the SCDHEC Watershed Assessment information available online, this watershed consists primarily of the Cooper River and its tributaries draining into the Charleston Harbor. There is a high potential for growth for much of this watershed, which contains the Towns of Moncks Corner, Hanahan, Goose Creek, Ladson, and Kiawah Island, the City of Folly Beach and portions of the City of Charleston, North Charleston, and the Towns of Summerville, Seabrook Island, Sullivans Island, and Mount Pleasant. Additionally, fresh water is vital necessity to the area’s economy. The Back River and its tributaries are a major source of fresh water for the public water supply and many of the large industries located along the Cooper River. The closest monitoring station is in Duham Creek (MD-217). Aquatic life and recreational uses are fully supported. There is a significant increasing trend in pH. Significant decreasing trends in five-day biological oxygen demand and increasing trends in dissolved oxygen concentration suggest improving conditions for these parameters. The project area is located within an area of Berkeley County that is being developed. Recent and ongoing development is visible in areas surrounding the project review area and the 128 acre drainage area being discussed in this significant nexus determination. Currently, the wetland located within this 128 acre drainage area is likely performing many of the services that wetlands and tributaries provide; however, when wetlands and tributaries are filled or altered, the services they provide may be compromised and the loss of those services affects downstream waters and TNWs, including Back River. The wetland within the review area has a significant nexus to downstream TNWs as its providing a source of carbon and nutrients, can provide water quality functions, can store excess water minimizing flooding impacts downstream, can maintain seasonal flow volumes, and can transport organisms, carbon, and nutrients. In addition, the wetland within the review area is contributing to the relatively good water quality and integrity of the downstream TNW.

D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

1. TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands. Check all that apply and provide size estimates in review area:
   - TNWs: linear feet width (ft), Or, acres.
   - Wetlands adjacent to TNWs: acres.

2. RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.
   - Tributaries of TNWs where tributaries typically flow year-round are jurisdictional. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial.
   - Tributaries of TNW where tributaries have continuous flow “seasonally” (e.g., typically three months each year) are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.B. Provide rationale indicating that tributary flows seasonally: Jurisdictional RPW 1 appears on topo maps as a blue line tributary. Water and flow were observed within the channel of the tributary during the site visit. According to the United States Geological Service’s (USGS) web-based geographic information system (GIS) application, StreamStats, the tributary has a drainage area of 128 acres in size. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service’s (USFWS) National Wetland Inventory (NWI), classifies
Jurisdictional RPW 1 as a riverine, perennial, unconsolidated bottom, and permanently flooded (R5UBH) habitat. For these reasons, Jurisdictional RPW 1 was determined to have seasonal flow.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):

- Tributary waters: Jurisdictional Tributary 1, 417 linear feet 5’ width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters:.

3. Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Waterbody that is not a TNW or an RPW, but flows directly or indirectly into a TNW, and it has a significant nexus with a TNW is jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters within the review area (check all that apply):

- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters:.

4. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow year-round. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW:

- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow “seasonally.” Provide data indicating that tributary is seasonal in Section III.B and rationale in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW: Jurisdictional Wetland 5 abuts seasonal Jurisdictional RPW 1. Jurisdictional Wetland 5 shares its western boundary with Jurisdictional RPW 1 and has a direct surface hydrologic connection to Jurisdictional RPW 1.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: 0.295 acres.

5. Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands that do not directly abut an RPW, but when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

6. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands adjacent to such waters, and have when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters.

- As a general rule, the impoundment of a jurisdictional tributary remains jurisdictional.

- Demonstrate that impoundment was created from “waters of the U.S.,” or
- Demonstrate that water meets the criteria for one of the categories presented above (1-6), or
- Demonstrate that water is isolated with a nexus to commerce (see E below).

Explain:

E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

- which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes.
- from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce.
- which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.
- Interstate isolated waters. Explain:.
- Other factors. Explain:.

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8See Footnote # 3.
9 To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.
10 Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.
Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):
- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters: .
- Wetlands: acres.

F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):
- If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements.
- Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce.
- Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in “SWANCC,” the review area would have been regulated based solely on the “Migratory Bird Rule” (MBR).
- Other: (explain, if not covered above):
- There is an approximate 11 acre vegetated stormwater control pond at the north central portion of the site actively receiving upland stormwater from adjacent impervious surfaces off the site. According to a Nationwide Permit verified on March 27, 1997 (SAC-26-96-4063) no aquatic resources were identified in the area of the stormwater control pond. Therefore, the Corps determined the stormwater control pond was excavated from uplands. For these reasons, the pond was determined to be non-jurisdictional and not subject to regulation under Section 404 of the CWA.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment (check all that apply):
- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds: acres.
- Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
- Wetlands: acres.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (check all that apply):
- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds: acres.
- Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
- Wetlands: acres.

SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.

A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply) - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below:
- Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: “WETLAND BOUNDARY PLAT MNK TRACT MAGURO ENTERPRISES, LLC LOCATED IN BERKELEY COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA” dated April 2019.
- Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.
- Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
- Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps:
- Corps navigable waters’ study:
- USGS NH D data.
- USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
- National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Exhibit dated October 19, 2018.
- Local/state wetland inventory map(s):
- FEMA/FIRM maps: .
- 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- Photographs: □ Aerial (Name & Date): .
- or □ Other (Name & Date): Site Photographs submitted as part of JD request
- Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: SAC 41-90-778 dated October 1990 and SAC 81-96-0859 dated July 1996
- Applicable/supporting case law:
- Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
- Other information (please specify): .
B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: The reach on this JD basis form 1 of 3 consists of a seasonal RPW, abutting wetland and a stormwater pond. The seasonal RPW and abutting wetland are jurisdictional and subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). The stormwater pond within the review area was determined to be non-jurisdictional and not subject to regulation under Section 404 of the CWA.
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      ☐ Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
      ☐ Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
      ☐ Impoundments of jurisdictional waters
      ☐ Isolated (interstate or intrastate) waters, including isolated wetlands

   b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area:
      Non-wetland waters: linear feet: width (ft) and/or acres.
      Wetlands: Jurisdictional Wetland 1 – 0.210 acres.

   c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction based on: 1987 Delineation Manual, Pick List, Pick List
      Elevation of established OHWM (if known): 

2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):³ [Including potentially jurisdictional features that upon assessment are NOT waters or wetlands]

¹ Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.
² For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least “seasonally” (e.g., typically 3 months).
³ Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.
Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain:

SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS

A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over TNWs and wetlands adjacent to TNWs. If the aquatic resource is a TNW, complete Section III.A.1 and Section III.D.1. only; if the aquatic resource is a wetland adjacent to a TNW, complete Sections III.A.1 and 2 and Section III.D.1.; otherwise, see Section III.B below.

1. TNW
   Identify TNW: .
   Summarize rationale supporting determination: .

2. Wetland adjacent to TNW
   Summarize rationale supporting conclusion that wetland is “adjacent”: .

B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY ( THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

This section summarizes information regarding characteristics of the tributary and its adjacent wetlands, if any, and it helps determine whether or not the standards for jurisdiction established under Rapanos have been met.

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over non-navigable tributaries of TNWs where the tributaries are “relatively permanent waters” (RPWs), i.e. tributaries that typically flow year-round or have continuous flow at least seasonally (e.g., typically 3 months). A wetland that directly abuts an RPW is also jurisdictional. If the aquatic resource is not a TNW, but has year-round (perennial) flow, skip to Section III.D.2. If the aquatic resource is a wetland directly abutting a tributary with perennial flow, skip to Section III.D.4.

A wetland that is adjacent to but that does not directly abut an RPW requires a significant nexus evaluation. Corps districts and EPA regions will include in the record any available information that documents the existence of a significant nexus between a relatively permanent tributary that is not perennial (and its adjacent wetlands if any) and a traditional navigable water, even though a significant nexus finding is not required as a matter of law.

If the waterbody is not an RPW, or a wetland directly abutting an RPW, a JD will require additional data to determine if the waterbody has a significant nexus with a TNW. If the tributary has adjacent wetlands, the significant nexus evaluation must consider the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands. This significant nexus evaluation that combines, for analytical purposes, the tributary and all of its adjacent wetlands is used whether the review area identified in the JD request is the tributary, or its adjacent wetlands, or both. If the JD covers a tributary with adjacent wetlands, complete Section III.B.1 for the tributary, Section III.B.2 for any onsite wetlands, and Section III.B.3 for all wetlands adjacent to that tributary, both onsite and offshore. The determination whether a significant nexus exists is determined in Section III.C below.

1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

(i) General Area Conditions:
   Watershed size: Pick List ;
   Drainage area: Pick List
   Average annual rainfall: inches
   Average annual snowfall: inches

(ii) Physical Characteristics:
   (a) Relationship with TNW:
      ☐ Tributary flows directly into TNW.
      ☐ Tributary flows through Pick List tributaries before entering TNW.

      Project waters are Pick List river miles from TNW.
      Project waters are Pick List river miles from RPW.
      Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from TNW.
      Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from RPW.
      Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain: .

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4 Note that the Instructional Guidebook contains additional information regarding swales, ditches, washes, and erosional features generally and in the arid West.
Identify flow route to TNW:

Tributary stream order, if known:

(b) General Tributary Characteristics (check all that apply):

**Tributary** is:
- [ ] Natural
- [ ] Artificial (man-made). Explain:
- [ ] Manipulated (man-altered). Explain:

**Tributary** properties with respect to top of bank (estimate):
- Average width: feet
- Average depth: feet
- Average side slopes: **Pick List.**

Primary tributary substrate composition (check all that apply):
- [ ] Silts
- [ ] Sands
- [ ] Cobbles
- [ ] Gravel
- [ ] Bedrock
- [ ] Vegetation. Type/% cover:
- [ ] Other. Explain:

Tributary condition/stability [e.g., highly eroding, sloughing banks]. Explain:
- Presence of run/riffle/pool complexes. Explain:
- Tributary geometry: **Pick List.**
- Tributary gradient (approximate average slope): %

(c) Flow:

**Tributary** provides for: **Pick List**
- Estimate average number of flow events in review area/year: **Pick List**
  - Describe flow regime:
  - Other information on duration and volume:

**Surface flow** is: **Pick List.** Characteristics:
- **Pick List.** Explain findings:
- **Pick List.** Dye (or other) test performed:

**Tributary** has (check all that apply):
- Bed and banks
  - OHWM (check all indicators that apply):
    - clear, natural line impressed on the bank
    - changes in the character of soil
    - shelving
    - vegetation matted down, bent, or absent
    - leaf litter disturbed or washed away
    - sediment deposition
    - water staining
    - other (list):
    - Discontinuous OHWM. Explain:

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction (check all that apply):
- High Tide Line indicated by:
- Mean High Water Mark indicated by:
  - oil or scum line along shore objects
  - fine shell or debris deposits (foreshore)
  - physical markings/characteristics
  - tidal gauges
  - other (list):

(iii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).
- Explain:
- Identify specific pollutants, if known:

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5 Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.
6 A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody’s flow regime (e.g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.
7 Ibid.
(iv) Biological Characteristics. Channel supports (check all that apply):
- Riparian corridor. Characteristics (type, average width): .
- Habitat for:
  - Federally Listed species. Explain findings: .
  - Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: .
  - Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: .
  - Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings: .

2. Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

(i) Physical Characteristics:
(a) General Wetland Characteristics:
  Properties:
  - Wetland size: acres
  - Wetland type. Explain: .
  Project wetlands cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain: .

(b) General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:
  Flow is: Pick List. Explain:. Surface flow is: Pick List. characterize findings:
  Characteristics:
  Dye (or other) test performed: .

(c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:
  Directly abutting
  Not directly abutting
    - Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain: .
    - Separated by berm/barrier. Explain: .

(d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW:
  Project wetlands are Pick List river miles from TNW.
  Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from TNW.
  Flow is from: Pick List.
  Estimate approximate location of wetland as within the Pick List floodplain.

(ii) Chemical Characteristics:
  Characterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain: .
  Identify specific pollutants, if known: .

(iii) Biological Characteristics. Wetland supports (check all that apply):
  - Riparian buffer. Characteristics (type, average width): .
  - Vegetation type/percent cover. Explain: .
  - Habitat for:
    - Federally Listed species. Explain findings: .
    - Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: .
    - Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: .
    - Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings: .

3. Characteristics of all wetlands adjacent to the tributary (if any)
  All wetland(s) being considered in the cumulative analysis: Pick List
  Approximately ( ) acres in total are being considered in the cumulative analysis.
For each wetland, specify the following:

Directly abuts? (Y/N)  Size (in acres)  Directly abuts? (Y/N)  Size (in acres)

Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed:

C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the chemical, physical and/or biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Draw connections between the features documented and the effects on the TNW, as identified in the Rapanos Guidance and discussed in the Instructional Guidebook. Factors to consider include, for example:

- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to carry pollutants or flood waters to TNWs, or to reduce the amount of pollutants or flood waters reaching a TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), provide habitat and lifecycle support functions for fish and other species, such as feeding, nesting, spawning, or rearing young for species that are present in the TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to transfer nutrients and organic carbon that support downstream foodwebs?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have other relationships to the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the TNW?

Note: the above list of considerations is not inclusive and other functions observed or known to occur should be documented below:

1. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW that has no adjacent wetlands and flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary itself, then go to Section III.D:

2. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW and its adjacent wetlands, where the non-RPW flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D:

3. Significant nexus findings for wetlands adjacent to an RPW but that do not directly abut the RPW. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D:

Documentation for the Record only: Significant nexus findings for seasonal RPWs and/or wetlands abutting seasonal RPWs:

D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

1. TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands. Check all that apply and provide size estimates in review area:

   - TNWs: linear feet width (ft), Or, acres.
   - Wetlands adjacent to TNWs: acres.

2. RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

   - Tributaries of TNWs where tributaries typically flow year-round are jurisdictional. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial: The off-site tributary appears on topo maps as a blue line tributary of Laurel Swamp. The
tributary, including the channel and water within the tributary, are visible in aerial photography. According to the United States Geological Service’s (USGS) web-based geographic information system (GIS) application, StreamStats, the tributary has a drainage area of 13,632 acres in size. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service’s (USFWS) National Wetland Inventory (NWI), classifies the off-site tributary as a riverine, unknown perennial, unconsolidated bottom, and permanently flooded (R5UBH) habitat. For these reasons, the off-site tributary was determined to have perennial flow.

- Tributaries of TNW where tributaries have continuous flow “seasonally” (e.g., typically three months each year) are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.B. Provide rationale indicating that tributary flows seasonally.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):
- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters:

3. Non-RPWs\(^9\) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Waterbody that is not a TNW or an RPW, but flows directly or indirectly into a TNW, and it has a significant nexus with a TNW is jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters within the review area (check all that apply):
- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters:

4. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow year-round. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW: Based on a review of the information provided, soil data, LIDAR data, and best available aerial imagery, Jurisdictional Wetland 1 in the review area displays a contiguous connection to a larger wetland complex spanning to the south emptying into an unnamed tributary, an RPW that flows indirectly into Back River, a TNW.

- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow “seasonally.” Provide data indicating that tributary is seasonal in Section III.B and rationale in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW:

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

5. Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands that do not directly abut an RPW, but when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

6. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands adjacent to such waters, and have when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters.\(^9\)

As a general rule, the impoundment of a jurisdictional tributary remains jurisdictional.
- Demonstrate that impoundment was created from “waters of the U.S.,” or
- Demonstrate that water meets the criteria for one of the categories presented above (1-6), or
- Demonstrate that water is isolated with a nexus to commerce (see E below).

Explain:

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\(^8\)See Footnote # 3.

\(^9\)To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.
E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):18
☐ which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes.
☐ from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce.
☐ which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.
☐ Interstate isolated waters. Explain: .
☐ Other factors. Explain: .

Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination: .

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):
☐ Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
☐ Other non-wetland waters: acres.
    Identify type(s) of waters: .
☐ Wetlands:  acres.

F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):
☐ If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements.
☐ Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce.
☐ Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in “SWANCC,” the review area would have been regulated based solely on the “Migratory Bird Rule” (MBR).
☐ Waters do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction. Explain: .
☐ Other: (explain, if not covered above): .

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment (check all that apply):
☐ Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft).
☐ Lakes/ponds: acres.
☐ Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
☐ Wetlands: acres.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (check all that apply):
☐ Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet, width (ft).
☐ Lakes/ponds: acres.
☐ Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
☐ Wetlands: acres.

SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.

A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):
☐ Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: “WETLAND BOUNDARY PLAT MNK TRACT MAGURO ENTERPRISES, LLC LOCATED IN BERKELEY COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA” dated April 2019.
☐ Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.
☐ Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
☐ Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
☐ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: .
☐ Corps navigable waters’ study: .
☐ USGS NHD data.
☐ USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
☐ National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Exhibit dated October 19, 2018.
☐ State/Local wetland inventory map(s): .
☐ FEMA/FIRM maps: .

18 Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.
B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: This JD basis form 2 of 3 consists of an abutting wetland. The abutting wetland is jurisdictional and subject to regulation under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).
This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): September 30, 2019

B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NUMBER, FILE NAME: JD Form 2 of 2; Charleston District, SAC-2018-01724, MNK Tract – Southern Parcel

C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:
   State: South Carolina  County/parish/borough: Berkeley  City: Moncks Corner
   Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 33.0600°, Long. -80.0367°.
   Universal Transverse Mercator:
   Name of nearest waterbody: Canterhill Swamp
   Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) into which the aquatic resource flows: Back River
   Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): HUC – 8; 03050201 Cooper River
   ☑ Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential jurisdictional areas is/are available upon request.
   ☑ Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc…) are associated with this action and are recorded on a different JD form.

D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):
   ☑ Office (Desk) Determination.  Date: August 1, 2019
   ☑ Field Determination.  Date(s): January 31, 2019

SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
   There are no “navigable waters of the U.S.” within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area. [Required]
   ☐ Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.
   ☐ Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce. Explain: .

B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
   There are no “waters of the U.S.” within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area. [Required]

   1. Waters of the U.S.
      a. Indicate presence of waters of U.S. in review area (check all that apply): 1
         ☐ TNWs, including territorial seas
         ☐ Wetlands adjacent to TNWs
         ☐ Relatively permanent waters2 (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☐ Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☐ Wetlands directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☐ Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☐ Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs
         ☐ Impoundments of jurisdictional waters
         ☐ Isolated (interstate or intrastate) waters, including isolated wetlands

      b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area:
         Non-wetland waters: linear feet: width (ft) and/or acres.
         Wetlands: acres.

      c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction based on: Pick List, Pick List, Pick List
         Elevation of established OHWM (if known): .

   2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):3 [Including potentially jurisdictional features that upon assessment are NOT waters or wetlands]

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1 Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.
2 For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least “seasonally” (e.g., typically 3 months).
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1. TNW
   Identify TNW: .
   Summarize rationale supporting determination: .

2. Wetland adjacent to TNW
   Summarize rationale supporting conclusion that wetland is “adjacent”: .

B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

This section summarizes information regarding characteristics of the tributary and its adjacent wetlands, if any, and it helps determine whether or not the standards for jurisdiction established under Rapanos have been met.

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over non-navigable tributaries of TNWs where the tributaries are “relatively permanent waters” (RPWs), i.e. tributaries that typically flow year-round or have continuous flow at least seasonally (e.g., typically 3 months). A wetland that directly abuts an RPW is also jurisdictional. If the aquatic resource is not a TNW, but has year-round (perennial) flow, skip to Section III.D.2. If the aquatic resource is a wetland directly abutting a tributary with perennial flow, skip to Section III.D.4.

A wetland that is adjacent to but that does not directly abut an RPW requires a significant nexus evaluation. Corps districts and EPA regions will include in the record any available information that documents the existence of a significant nexus between a relatively permanent tributary that is not perennial (and its adjacent wetlands if any) and a traditional navigable water, even though a significant nexus finding is not required as a matter of law.

If the waterbody is not an RPW, or a wetland directly abutting an RPW, a JD will require additional data to determine if the waterbody has a significant nexus with a TNW. If the tributary has adjacent wetlands, the significant nexus evaluation must consider the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands. This significant nexus evaluation that combines, for analytical purposes, the tributary and all of its adjacent wetlands is used whether the review area identified in the JD request is the tributary, or its adjacent wetlands, or both. If the JD covers a tributary with adjacent wetlands, complete Section III.B.1 for the tributary, Section III.B.2 for any onsite wetlands, and Section III.B.3 for all wetlands adjacent to that tributary, both onsite and offsite. The determination whether a significant nexus exists is determined in Section III.C below.

1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

(i) General Area Conditions:
   Watershed size: Pick List ;
   Drainage area: Pick List
   Average annual rainfall: inches
   Average annual snowfall: inches

(ii) Physical Characteristics:
   (a) Relationship with TNW:
     ☐ Tributary flows directly into TNW.
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Project waters are Pick List river miles from TNW.
Project waters are Pick List river miles from RPW.
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Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from RPW.
Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:

Identify flow route to TNW:
Tributary stream order, if known:

(b) General Tributary Characteristics (check all that apply):

Tributary is:
- Natural
- Artificial (man-made). Explain:
- Manipulated (man-altered). Explain:

Tributary properties with respect to top of bank (estimate):
- Average width: feet
- Average depth: feet
- Average side slopes: Pick List.

Primary tributary substrate composition (check all that apply):
- Silts
- Sands
- Concrete
- Cobbles
- Gravel
- Muck
- Bedrock
- Vegetation. Type/% cover:
- Other. Explain:

Tributary condition/stability [e.g., highly eroding, sloughing banks]. Explain:
Presence of run/riffle/pool complexes. Explain:

Tributary geometry: Pick List. Tributary gradient (approximate average slope): %

(c) Flow:
Tributary provides for: Pick List
Estimate average number of flow events in review area/year: Pick List
Describe flow regime:
Other information on duration and volume:

Surface flow is: Pick List. Characteristics:

Subsurface flow: Pick List. Explain findings:
- Dye (or other) test performed:

Tributary has (check all that apply):
- Bed and banks
- OHWM\(^6\) (check all indicators that apply):
  - the presence of litter and debris
  - changes in the character of soil
  - destruction of terrestrial vegetation
  - shelving
  - sediment sorting
  - vegetation matted down, bent, or absent
  - scour
  - sediment deposition
  - multiple observed or predicted flow events
  - other (list):
- Discontinuous OHWM.\(^7\) Explain:

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction (check all that apply):
- High Tide Line indicated by:
  - oil or scum line along shore objects
  - fine shell or debris deposits (foreshore)
  - physical markings/characteristics
  - tidal gauges
  - other (list):
- Mean High Water Mark indicated by:
  - survey to available datum;
  - physical markings;
  - vegetation lines/changes in vegetation types.

\(^5\) Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.

\(^6\) A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody’s flow regime (e.g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.

\(^7\) Ibid.
(iii) **Chemical Characteristics:**
Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).
Explain:  .
Identify specific pollutants, if known:  .

(iv) **Biological Characteristics. Channel supports (check all that apply):**
- ☐ Riparian corridor. Characteristics (type, average width):  .
- ☐ Habitat for:
  - ☐ Federally Listed species. Explain findings:  .
  - ☐ Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings:
  - ☐ Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings:
  - ☐ Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings:
- ☐ Identify specific pollutants, if known:  .

2. **Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW**

(i) **Physical Characteristics:**
(a) **General Wetland Characteristics:**
Properties:
- Wetland size:  acres
- Wetland type. Explain:  .
Project wetlands cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:  .
(b) **General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:**
Flow is:  Pick List Explain:  .
Surface flow is:  Pick List
Characteristics:
Subsurface flow:  Pick List Explain findings:  .
☐ Dye (or other) test performed:
(c) **Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:**
☐ Directly abutting
☐ Not directly abutting
  - ☐ Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain:  .
  - ☐ Separated by berm/barrier. Explain:  .
(d) **Proximity (Relationship) to TNW**
Project wetlands are  Pick List river miles from TNW.
Project waters are  Pick List aerial (straight) miles from TNW.
Flow is from:  Pick List.
Estimate approximate location of wetland as within the  Pick List floodplain.

(ii) **Chemical Characteristics:**
Characterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain:  .
Identify specific pollutants, if known:  .

(iii) **Biological Characteristics. Wetland supports (check all that apply):**
- ☐ Riparian buffer. Characteristics (type, average width):  .
- ☐ Vegetation type/percent cover. Explain:  .
- ☐ Habitat for:
  - ☐ Federally Listed species. Explain findings:
  - ☐ Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings:
  - ☐ Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings:
  - ☐ Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings:
- ☐ Identify specific pollutants, if known:  .

3. **Characteristics of all wetlands adjacent to the tributary (if any)**
All wetland(s) being considered in the cumulative analysis:  Pick List
Approximately (  ) acres in total are being considered in the cumulative analysis.
For each wetland, specify the following:

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Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed: .

C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the chemical, physical and/or biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Draw connections between the features documented and the effects on the TNW, as identified in the Rapanos Guidance and discussed in the Instructional Guidebook. Factors to consider include, for example:

- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to carry pollutants or flood waters to TNWs, or to reduce the amount of pollutants or flood waters reaching a TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), provide habitat and lifecycle support functions for fish and other species, such as feeding, nesting, spawning, or rearing young for species that are present in the TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to transfer nutrients and organic carbon that support downstream foodwebs?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have other relationships to the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the TNW?

Note: the above list of considerations is not inclusive and other functions observed or known to occur should be documented below:

1. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW that has no adjacent wetlands and flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary itself, then go to Section III.D: .

2. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW and its adjacent wetlands, where the non-RPW flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D: .

3. Significant nexus findings for wetlands adjacent to an RPW but that do not directly abut the RPW. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D: .

Documentation for the Record only: Significant nexus findings for seasonal RPWs and/or wetlands abutting seasonal RPWs: .

D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

1. **TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands.** Check all that apply and provide size estimates in review area:
   - TNWs: linear feet width (ft), Or, acres.
   - Wetlands adjacent to TNWs: acres.

2. **RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.**
   - Tributaries of TNWs where tributaries typically flow year-round are jurisdictional. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial: .
Tributaries of TNW where tributaries have continuous flow “seasonally” (e.g., typically three months each year) are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.B. Provide rationale indicating that tributary flows seasonally.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):

- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.

Identify type(s) of waters:

3. Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Waterbody that is not a TNW or an RPW, but flows directly or indirectly into a TNW, and it has a significant nexus with a TNW is jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters within the review area (check all that apply):

- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres.

Identify type(s) of waters:

4. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW and thus are jurisdictional as adjacent wetlands.
- Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow year-round. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

5. Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands that do not directly abut an RPW, but when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

6. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs.

- Wetlands adjacent to such waters, and have when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.

7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters.

- As a general rule, the impoundment of a jurisdictional tributary remains jurisdictional.
- Demonstrate that impoundment was created from “waters of the U.S.,” or
- Demonstrate that water meets the criteria for one of the categories presented above (1-6), or
- Demonstrate that water is isolated with a nexus to commerce (see E below).

Explain:

E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):¹⁰

- which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes.
- from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce.
- which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.
- Interstate isolated waters. Explain:
- Other factors. Explain:

¹⁰Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.

See Footnote # 3.

To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.
Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination: .

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):
- Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters: acres. Identify type(s) of waters: .
- Wetlands: acres.

F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):
- If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements.
- Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce.
- Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in “SWANCC,” the review area would have been regulated solely on the “Migratory Bird Rule” (MBR).
- Waters do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction. Explain: .
- Other: (explain, if not covered above): .

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment (check all that apply):
- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds: acres.
- Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
- Wetlands: 3.712 acres.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (check all that apply):
- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds: acres.
- Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: .
- Wetlands: acres.

SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.

A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):
- Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: “WETLAND BOUNDARY PLAT MNK TRACT MAGURO ENTERPRISES, LLC LOCATED IN BERKELEY COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA” dated April 2019.
- Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.
- Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
- Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: .
- Corps navigable waters’ study: .
- USGS NHD data.
- USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
- National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: USFWS National Wetlands Inventory Exhibit dated October 19, 2018.
- State/Local wetland inventory map(s): .
- FEMA/FIRM maps: .
- 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date): .
- or Other (Name & Date): Site Photographs submitted as part of JD request
- Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: SAC 41-90-778 dated October 1990 and SAC 81-96-0859 dated July 1996
- Applicable/supporting case law: .
- Applicable/supporting scientific literature: .
- Other information (please specify): .

B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: .