

## 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): 8/18/2020

ORM Number: CENAP-OP-R-2020-00608 (51)

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: PA City: Lackawaxen Twp County/Parish/Borough: Pike Co

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 41.512432 Longitude -75.051027

## 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.

$\times$	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: The subject property is a lakefront lot
	adjacent to Westcolang Lake. This JD is associated with the investigation of alleged unauthorized
	work in WOUS. The investigation is limited only to those areas disturbed by recent earthwork. All
	recent work was performed in "uplands" based on field data collected onsite. Waters and wetlands
	may be present on the parcel beyond the area of work, but are not included within this investigation.

There are "navigable waters of the United States" within Rivers and Harbors Act jurisdiction within t	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 exclude	ed from Clear	n Water Act juri	isdiction within the	e review area
(complete table in Section II.D).				

## B. Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 Section 10 (§ 10)<sup>2</sup>

§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size		§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
N/A.	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) Siz	e	(a)(1) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(1) Determination	
N/A.	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.	N/A.		

Lakes and ponds, and impoundments of jurisdictional waters ((a)(3) waters):					
(a)(3) Name	(a)(3) Size		(a)(3) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(3) Determination	
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If the navigable water is not subject to the ebb and flow of the tide or included on the District's list of Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 navigable waters list, do NOT use this document to make the determination. The District must continue to follow the procedure outlined in 33 CFR part 329.14 to make a Rivers and Harbors Act Section 10 navigability determination.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> A stand-alone TNW determination is completed independently of a request for an AJD. A stand-alone TNW determination is conducted for a specific segment of river or stream or other type of waterbody, such as a lake, where upstream or downstream limits or lake borders are established. A stand-alone TNW determination should be completed following applicable guidance and should NOT be documented on the AJD Form.



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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.	N/A.	

## D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))$ :4					
Exclusion Name	Exclusion	n Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination	
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	

## **III. SUPPORTING INFORMATION**

- **A.** Select/enter all resources that were used to aid in this determination and attach data/maps to this document and/or references/citations in the administrative record, as appropriate.
  - ☐ Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: Site delineation by Will Whitehead, Kiley Associates

This information is not sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: Property owner's consultant identified wetlands within two areas of the subject parcel. Inspection by Michael P. Leggiero, Biologist, S&E Section, revealed that the consultants delineation was incorrect. Multiple data sheets collected on the property failed to meet wetland criteria due to a lack of both soil and hydrology indicators.

- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Prepared by Michael P. Leggiero, Biologist, S&E Section, dated 8/17/20.

- ☐ Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): ORM Number(s) and date(s).
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.
- ☐ USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- ☐ USFWS NWI maps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- ☐ USGS topographic maps: Title(s) and/or date(s).

## 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	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

**B.** Typical year assessment(s): Based on interpretation of the Corps' Antecedent Precipitation Tool, the site investigation was performed on a day during the dry season in which the antecedent precipitation was

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Some excluded waters, such as (b)(2) and (b)(4), may not be specifically identified on the AJD form unless a requestor specifically asks a Corps district to do so. Corps districts may, in case-by-case instances, choose to identify some or all of these waters within the review area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 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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ABOVE AVERAGE. A normal year rating would be a score between 10 to 14. For this site on this date, the score was a 16.

**C.** Additional comments to support AJD: This JD was performed associated with the investigation of alleged unauthorized work in WOUS. The investigation was limited only to those areas impacted by recent earthwork. Waters and wetlands may be present on the subject property that were not reviewed for the presence/absence of jurisdiction since they are located outside of the limit of investigation.