#### APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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): April 20, 2022

# B. ST PAUL, MN DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: 2022-00327-AJK

# C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

State: WI County/parish/borough: Washington City: Germantown

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 43.2044°N, Long. -88.0669°W.

Universal Transverse Mercator: Zone 16N

Name of nearest waterbody: Unnamed to Menomonee River

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 040400030401 and 040400030402

- 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: March 14, 2022
- Field Determination. Date(s):

# 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.

# 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.

1. Waters of the U.S.: N/A

## 2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):<sup>1</sup>

Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain: The review area contains 11 aquatic resources, labeled W-1 (0.38 acre), W-2 (0.01 ac), W-3 (0.22 ac), W-4 (0.23 ac), W-5 (2.74 ac), W-7 (0.43 ac), W-8 (0.01 ac), W-9 (0.03 ac), W-10 (0.19 ac), W-11 (0.07 ac), and W-12 (0.30 ac). These features are all isolated, per review of USGS topography, NRCS hydric soils data, Wisconsin Wetland Inventory, Washington County 1-foot contours, and historic aerial photos. Other than W-3 (discussion below), all of the wetlands are fully within the delineation area, with no downstream surface or shallow subsurface connections to other waters based on historic aerial photos. There are no inlets/outlets associated with any of the wetlands. The nearest tributary to these wetlands is unnamed to the Menomonee River, approximately 370 feet from W-10. The review area contains multiple tree lines between farm fields. Based on aerial photographs, these features were confirmed to not be drainage ditches that could carry surfaceflow to a downstream water. There are no visible channels within the tree lines.

W-3 continues outside the review area to the south, so that area was reviewed in detail. Based on 1-foot contours and historic aerial photos, the wetland is constrained to the south by a small hill, and to the west by steep slopes inconducive to wetland formation. Aerial photos from various years do not show wetness signatures continuing south, and the field south of the delineation border appears to have been regularly mowed. The nearest tributary to W-3 is approximately 670 feet south with a pond and a road in between.

These wetlands do not border, are not neighboring to or contiguous with another water of the US. They are not separated from another water of the US by man-made barriers, dikes, or berms. Due to existing and surrounding land use (upland agriculture) and proximity to other waters, there are no ecological connections to other wetlands or waters. These aquatic resources do not support a link to interstate or foreign commerce; are not known to be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreation or other purposes; do not produce fish or shellfish that could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.

and are not known to be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce. Therefore, the Corps has determined that these wetlands are not regulated by the Corps under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS

- TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs: N/A A.
- CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY): N/A B.
- SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION: N/A С.
- D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): N/A
- ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, E. DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): N/A

#### NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): F.

- 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.  $\boxtimes$ 
  - 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.  $\Box$ 
  - Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource:
- Wetlands: 4.61 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: Information provided by Graef
- 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:
- U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas:
  - USGS NHD data.
  - USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
- U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: Germantown Quadrangles
- USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: Washington County
- National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name:
- $\boxtimes$ State/Local wetland inventory map(s): Wisconsin Wetland Inventory
- FEMA/FIRM maps:
- 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date): Google Earth aerial photos (2000-2021) or Other (Name & Date):
- Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:

Applicable/supporting case law:
Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
Other information (please specify): Washington County 1-foot contours

# B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: