# 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): October 4, 2019
- B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: MVP-2019-00938-AIS
- C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

|    | State  | :: Wisconsin County/parish/borough: Kenosha County City: Town of Paris  |
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|    | Cente  | er coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 42.610469 °N, Long. 87.967167 °W   |
|    |  | Universal Transverse Mercator: Zone 16, x420671, y4718012   |
|    | Nam  | e of nearest waterbody: Root River  |
|    | Nam  | e of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): Des Plaines (07120004)  |
|    | V  | Check if map/diagram of review area is 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 28, 2019  |
|    |  | 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):1
  - Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined not to be jurisdictional.

    Explain: The review area contains three wetlands, labeled W-1, W-2, & W-3 on the attached figure MVP-2019-00938-AIS

    Page 2 of 9, and a swale. These wetlands are not bordering, contiguous with, or neighboring another WOUS nor are these aquatic resources separated from another WOUS by man-made dikes, barriers, or berms. The closest tributary is approximately 890 feet to the southeast of the nearest wetland (W-3). This tributary is a grassed waterway constructed by the NRCS. There is a culvert connecting the waterway and the swale, but the swale is devoid of vegetation and does not have an ordinary high water mark as seen in the attached figure MVP-2019-00938-AIS Page 7 of 9. The soils in the wetland areas are predominantly non-hydric. A delineation done for a project in the adjacent parcel confirms that W-3 does not border

The wetlands located within the review area 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; and are not known to be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce. Furthermore, these wetlands are hydrologically isolated with no surface or shallow subsurface connections to a water of the United States and do not have an ecological interconnection due to existing disturbance. Therefore, the Corps has determined that W-1, W-2, and W-3 are not regulated by the Corps under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

## **SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

any waters offsite.

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

Explain: A swale is present in the project area. It does not have an ordinary high water mark and lacks all three wetland

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

|          | indicators. Therefore, it is neither a tributary nor a wetland.   |
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|          | Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce.   |
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|          | 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:  |
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|          | Other (explain, if not covered above):  |
|          | Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the <u>sole</u> 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: W-1 (0.51 ac.), W-2 (0.21 ac.), W-3 (0.25 ac.)  |
|          | ON IV: DATA SOURCES.  |
|          | PORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and  |
| requ     | nested, appropriately reference sources below):  Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Heartland Ecological Group   |
| <b>V</b> | Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.   |
| E-cont   | Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.   |
|          | Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.   |
|          | Data sheets prepared by the Corps:  |
| ~        | 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:  |
| 7        | USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: Kenosha County Soil Survey   |
| ~        | National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: USFWS NWI  |
|          | State/Local wetland inventory map(s):   |
|          | FEMA/FIRM maps:   |
|          | 100-year Floodplain Elevation is:   |
| ~        | Photographs:  Aerial (Name & Date): Google Earth (2000-2018)  |
|          | or 🔽 Other (Name & Date): Ground level photos provided by agent   |
| ~        | Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: MVP-2015-02585-MHK (October 2015) for adjacent property info   |
|          | Applicable/supporting case law:   |
|          | Applicable/supporting scientific literature:  |
| ~        | Other information (please specify): LiDAR Hillshade, USGS StreamStats   |

## B. REQUIRED ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD.