

## 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): 11/4/2020 ORM Number: MVP-2020-01899-MAD Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Minnesota City: Golden Valley County/Parish/Borough: Hennepin Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 44.979829 Longitude -93.36269

## **II. FINDINGS**

- **A. Summary:** Check all that apply. At least one box from the following list MUST be selected. Complete the corresponding sections/tables and summarize data sources.
  - □ The review area is comprised entirely of dry land (i.e., there are no waters or water features, including wetlands, of any kind in the entire review area). Rationale: N/A or describe rationale.
  - □ There are "navigable waters of the United States" within Rivers and Harbors Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete table in Section II.B).
  - □ There are "waters of the United States" within Clean Water Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete appropriate tables in Section II.C).
  - There are waters or water features excluded from Clean Water Act jurisdiction within the review area (complete table in Section II.D).

#### B. Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 Section 10 (§ 10)<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): <sup>3</sup>					
(a)(1) Name	(a)(1) Size		(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.	

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.	

<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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# D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))$ . <sup>4</sup>					
Exclusion Name	Exclusion		Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination	
Pond SL-13	0.70	acre(s)	(b)(1) Lake/pond or impoundment that does not contribute surface water flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water and is not inundated by flooding from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water in a typical year.	Pond SL-13 does not meet the definition of adjacent lake/pond. The nearest (a)(1)-(3) water is Bassett Creek (0.8 miles away). Pond SL-13 would not be flooded by an (a)(1)-(3) water in a typical year. Aerial photos and the National Wetlands Inventory show Pond SI-13 is connected to a wetland on the south side of Glenwood Ave. An aerial photo from 1937 shows the surface water connection between Pond SL- 13 (today this connection is maintained through a culvert) and the wetland on the south side of Glenwood Ave, but it does not show any outlet from the wetland south of Glenwood Ave. The 1967 and 1971 aerial maps show a ditch that appears to begin near Cortlawn Circle North draining into the wetland south of Glenwood Ave, but again no outlets are shown. The National Hydrography Dataset reveals the wetland south of Glenwood Ave has a piped outlet to Cortlawn Pond, which does maintain connections to Bassett Creek, however, Pond SL-13 does not have a jurisdictional connection to Corlawn Pond, only the piped outlet. Additionally, there is not a natural or artificial berm, bank, dune, or similar feature solely separating Pond SL-13 from an (a)(1)-(3) water. Therefore, Pond SL-13 is not a water of the U.S. and is not jurisdictional under the Clean Water Act.	

# **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: Joint Application: Golden Valley Pond Maintenance by WSB, September 30, 2020
    - This information is and is not sufficient for purposes of this AJD.
    - Rationale: N/A or describe rationale for insufficiency (including partial insufficiency).
  - Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
  - Photographs: Aerial: Hennepin County WN-10-850 1937, Hennepin County BDR-8-204 1967, Hennepin County CLK-1-1173 1971.
  - □ Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).

<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>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)

<sup>\*</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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- 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: 2020
- ☑ USGS topographic maps: TopoView, November 2, 2020.

### Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	National Hydrography Dataset
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): N/A

C. Additional comments to support AJD: N/A