

# 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): 3/10/2021 ORM Number: MVP-2021-00118-RMH Associated JDs: N/A Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: MN City: Lonsdale County/Parish/Borough: Rice County Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 44.477705 Longitude -93.410446

#### 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                              |

# 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                                |

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                                |

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                                |

#### 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                                |

<sup>1</sup> Map(s)/Figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<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>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 independent 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. <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.

 $^5$  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.



## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REGULATORY PROGRAM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM) NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

# D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters  $((b)(1) - (b)(12))^4$ :

| <b>Exclusion Name</b> | Exclusion Size | Exclusion⁵  | Rationale for Exclusion Determination   |
|-----------------------|----------------|---|---|
| Ditch 1               | 0.04 acres     | (b)(5) Ditch that is not an (a)(1)<br>or (a)(2) water, and those<br>portions of a ditch constructed in<br>an (a)(4) water that do not<br>satisfy the conditions of (c)(1) | Ditch 1 is located southwest of Commerce Drive<br>SE. Ditch 1 was constructed in uplands for the<br>conveyance of stormwater. The ditch appears to<br>have been constructed sometime between 2006<br>and 2008 based upon review of Google Earth<br>Imagery. It is a linear wetland that meets the<br>definition of "ditch" under paragraph c(2) of the<br>Navigable Waters Protection Rule. Therefore,<br>Ditch 1 is not jurisdictional because it meets the<br>requirements of the exclusion for ditches in<br>paragraph b(5). |

# 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.
  - \_x\_ Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: Wetland Delineation Report submitted by WSB on behalf of the City of Lonsdale dated December 29, 2020. This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD. Rationale: N/A
  - Data sheets prepared by the Corps: *Title(s) and/or date(s)*.
  - **\_x\_** Photographs: Google Earth 1992,2003, 2004, 2006 and 2008.
  - \_\_\_\_ Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).
  - \_\_\_\_ 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): N/A

<sup>1</sup> Map(s)/Figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<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>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 independent 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.
<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) 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.



## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REGULATORY PROGRAM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM) NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

C. Additional comments to support AJD: 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 independent 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.
<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) 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.