



**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): 12/2/2020

ORM Number: MVP-2011-05160-DAS

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Minnesota City: N/A County/Parish/Borough: Blue Earth County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 43.93238 Longitude -93.83395

**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: The review area includes a 50.8 acre parcel that is currently in agricultural production. The Blue Earth County Soil Survey identifies the site as hydric soil (Muskego soils, 0 to 1 percent slopes). The site is located in a basin that has been subject to drainage activities since at least 1939 as evidence in aerial photos. A drainage ditch was initially cut through the middle of the parcel. By 1979 the ditch was moved to the west edge of the parcel, outside of the review area. A delineation was completed on the site on July 17, 2020. The delineation determined that wetland signatures were only present 24% of all years as observed in aerial photo review. NWI and NHD maps confirm no waters or water features in the review area. USGS Topographic Map depicts wetland and County Ditch Number 5 within the review area; however, aerial photo review as described above confirmed that is not the current condition. Aerial slide review, NWI map, and NHD described above confirm that the review area has been effectively drained and no waters or water features are located in the review area.
- ☐ 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.	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 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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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.	

**D. Excluded Waters or Features**

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): <sup>4</sup>				
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination	
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: [Level 1 Wetland Delineation, Weerts Wetland Bank dated July 17, 2020.](#)

This information is 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: FSA, Blue Earth County, Google Earth, and DNR. \(Reviewed between 1939 and 2019\).](#)

☐ 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: [Blue Earth County Soil Survey](#)

☒ USFWS NWI maps: [Sourced by agent from MN DNR 2019.](#)

☒ USGS topographic maps: [1:24K Quad Name Mapleton NE](#)

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

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
<a href="#">USGS Sources</a>	<a href="#">NHD</a>
<a href="#">USDA Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">NOAA Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">USACE Sources</a>	<a href="#">N/A.</a>
<a href="#">State/Local/Tribal Sources</a>	<a href="#">State Public Water Inventory sourced by agent from MN DNR 2020.</a>

<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.



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Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
Other Sources	N/A.

**B. Typical year assessment(s):** N/A

**C. Additional comments to support AJD:** N/A