# 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 14, 2021
- B. ST PAUL, MN DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: 2015-03808-SJW
- C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

State: Wisconsin	County/parish/borough: Sheboygan	City: Town of Sheboygan
Center coordinates of site (lat/	long in degree decimal format): Lat. 43.779762	2° <b>N</b> , Long87.768618° <b>W</b> .
	Universal Transverse Mercator: Zone 16	

Name of nearest waterbody: Pigeon River

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC):

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: September 23, 2021☐ 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 to be not jurisdictional. Explain: The review area includes one wetland feature which is identified as "Wetland 1" on the attached figures labeled MVP-2015-03808-SJW: Page 1 of 2 through 2 of 2. According to the wetland delineation report which was submitted as part of the Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) request, Wetland 1 (0.24-acre) is described as a degraded wet meadow wetland situated in a depressional area with a vegetative community consisting of a monoculture of reed canary grass and Phragmites. A review of the Wisconsin Wetland Inventory (WWI) mapping does not show any mapped wetlands within the delineated limits of Wetland 1. However, as indicated in the wetland delineation report, Wetland 1 exhibits hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology, and therefore meets wetland criteria. According to the Web Soil Survey, the review area consists of a Mosel loam (MsA) soil series which is described as a somewhat poorly drained soil with a depth to water table of 7 to 24 inches. Aerial imagery from 1992 to 2021 indicate the review area was utilized as cropland prior to 2006, and the review area was developed between 2006 and 2008. Lands surrounding the review area are comprised entirely of uplands with single family residential developments situated in every direction around the review area. The nearest waterbody (unnamed tributary) is located 0.27 miles to the northeast of the review area, and there are no observable inlets/outlets which would suggest that this wetland would maintain a hydrologic surface connection to a downstream TNW. In addition, there are no man-made dikes, barriers, or berms separating Wetland 1 from other WOUS. Given the existing site characteristics and the surrounding landscape characteristics, coupled with the proximity to the nearest waterbody, there is no hydrologic connection between Wetland 1 and other jurisdictional wetlands or waters. Wetland 1 does not support a link to interstate or foreign commerce, is not used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreation or other purposes, does not produce fish or shellfish that could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce, and is not known to be used for industrial purposes by industrices in interstate commerce. Therefore, the Corps has determined that Wetland 1 is an isolated wetland feature that is not regulated by the Corps under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act.

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

## **SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

- 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): N/A

Е.	DE	CLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, GRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY CH 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.  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):					
	factoriudg	wide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the <u>sole</u> potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR ors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional gment (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: 0.24 acres.					
	a fir	vide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such ading 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.					
SE(	CTIO	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					
A.		requested, appropriately reference sources below):					
	$\boxtimes$	Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Wetland delineation report completed					
	by	Evergreen Consultants, LLC.					
	$\boxtimes$	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.					
	$\boxtimes$	U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: 1:24K - Howards Grove					
		USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name:					
	$\boxtimes$	State/Local wetland inventory map(s): Wisconsin Wetland Inventory FEMA/FIRM maps:					
	$\exists$	100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)					
		N. J. Maritan and Coords Forth					
	$\boxtimes$	Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date): Google Earth					
		or  Other (Name & Date):					

	Other	information	(please	specify):
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## B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: