

**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): November 10, 2021**

**B. ST PAUL, MN DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: MVP-2020-02515-DDP (SAP 101-135-001)(Albert Lea, City of / SAP 101-135-001 / East Main Street and Trail)**

**C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

State: MN County/parish/borough: Freeborn County City: Albert Lea

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 43.6583° N, Long. -93.3215° E.

Universal Transverse Mercator:

Name of nearest waterbody: Shell Rock River

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): (07080202) Upper Mississippi Region

- ☒ 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: October 22, 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):<sup>1</sup>**

☒ Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional. Explain: **The SAP 101-135-001, E Main Street review area contains three aquatic features for review Wet Ditch 3A (0.02ac), Wet Ditch 9A (0.07) and Stormwater Pond 5B (0.17ac). The majority of the review area consists of urban land use. Based on analysis of multiple years of aerial photography and the December 2020 SRF Consulting Group Inc. Delineation Report, the Corps has determined that Wet Ditch 3A, Wet Ditch 9A and Stormwater Pond-5B were constructed in an upland area and formed within the perimeter of the constructed stormwater basin.**

**In accordance with the preamble to the 1986 Corps Regulations, Wet Ditch 3A, Wet Ditch 9A and Stormwater Pond 5B are not within the Corps jurisdiction since the Corps does not generally consider the following to be waters of the U.S.; artificial lakes or ponds created by excavating and/or diking dry land to collect and retain water and which are used exclusively for such purposes as stock watering, irrigation, settling basins or rice growing. In addition, Wet Ditch 3A and Wet Ditch 9A drain only uplands, do not have relatively permanent flow and do not have a direct surface connection to a downstream TNW or RPW.**

**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**

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

**E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE 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.
- ☐ 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): **See Section II.B.2.**

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole 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:      acres.

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding 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.

**SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.**

**A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):**

☒ Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: **December 2020 Wetland Delineation Report: East Main Street Resurfacing and Trail, Submitted by SRF, Inc.**

- ☒ 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.
- ☒ U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name: **1:24k USGS Albert Lea East Quadrangle**
- ☒ USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: **Freeborn County**
- ☒ National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: **USFWS NWI of MN**
- ☐ State/Local wetland inventory map(s):
- ☐ FEMA/FIRM maps:
- ☐ 100-year Floodplain Elevation is:      (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- ☒ Photographs: ☒ Aerial (Name & Date): **Aerial: Google Earth Imagery, (1938-2015)**  
or ☐ Other (Name & Date):
- ☒ Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: **MVP-2020-02515-CCK (June 17, 2021)**
- ☐ Applicable/supporting case law:
- ☐ Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
- ☐ Other information (please specify):

**B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD:**