

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): 1/27/2021

ORM Number: MVP-2020-02535-RJH

Associated JDs:

Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: WI City: Town of Buchanan County/Parish/Borough: Outagamie

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 44.25416 Longitude -88.23961

II. FINDINGS

Su	mmary: Check all that apply. At least one box from the following list MUST be selected. Complete the
cor	responding 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
	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).
\boxtimes	There are waters or water features excluded from Clean Water Act jurisdiction within the review area
	(complete table in Section II.D).
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B. Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899 Section 10 (§ 10)²

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§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size	9	§ 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):3						
(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.		

¹ Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

² 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.

³ 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 wa	aters ((b)(1) – (b)(12		
Exclusion	Exclusion	n Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Name Wetland 1	1.06	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	The review area is approximately 20 acres in size that consists of a relatively flat agricultural field. The dominate soil series within the review area is McA: Manawa silty clay loam (predominantly non-hydric). The nearest a(1)-a(3) water is an unnamed tributary to Plum Creek, which is approximately 1,081 feet E of the review area. An analysis of the elevation profile from the tributary to Plum Creek and to the review area indicates there is an approximate 3-foot change in elevation. Based on the submitted delineation report, review of the historic aerial photography, onsite photos, and evaluation of the topography and soil maps, we have determined that Wetland 1 is a non-adjacent wetland. The boundaries of the wetland transition into upland within the review area along the N and S boundaries. The E and W boundaries of Wetland 1 extend outside of the review area. Based on the elevation change and dry signatures in aerial photography, we have determined that the western boundary transitions into uplands in the adjacent agricultural field. The eastern boundary extends eastward in the form of a linear depression and connects to a tributary to Plum Creek. After extensive review of the historic aerial photography and all available elevation data, we have determined that the eastern boundary of Wetland 1 which extends outside the review area as a linear depression, was partially constructed in uplands to facilitate drainage of surface water to the tributary of Plum Creek. Due to the distance and elevation difference there is no likelihood of this feature being flooded in a typical year by an a(1)-a(3) water. (*See Section III.C. for additional information)

⁴ 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.



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Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12)): ⁴							
Exclusion	Exclusion Size		Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination			
Name							

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: Bluestem Meadows 2 AJD Request submitted by Davel Engineering on 12/28/2020

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A

- ☐ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- Photographs: Aerial and Other: Photos submitted in the AJD request
- ☐ 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: 1:24K- Hilbert

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

C. Additional comments to support AJD: *This additional analysis for Wetland 1's east boundary where extends outside of the review area* After extensive review of the topography maps, historic photography, and available LiDAR information, we have determined that the review area and surrounding area was historically a saddle-type land formation. This determination is supported by the presence of a different soil type where the higher elevation would have been historically. "Dry" signatures present in the aerial photo review match elevation and soil type changes. There is adequate evidence to support the presence of two separate potential wetland areas that were separate and independent areas before a channel was cut through the "saddle" to link the resources together and create the drainage ditch to the tributary to Plum Creek.