

**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):** May 10, 2022

**B. ST PAUL, MN DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER:** ATC Domtar Laydown Yard, 2022-00764-ANM, (Wetland 057)

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

State: Wisconsin

County/parish/borough: Wood

City: Saratoga

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 44.309494° N, Long. -89.887024° W.

Universal Transverse Mercator: Zone 16 (X 269739.531467, Y 4910302.66763)

Name of nearest waterbody: Wisconsin River

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): Upper Mississippi Region (07070003)

☒ 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: May 6, 2022

☐ 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 review area contains a 0.24-acre filled waterfilled depression (Wetland 057) created in upland and is not a water of the U.S. This was confirmed by reviewing the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Surface Water Data Viewer (SWDV), aerial photos, Original Land Survey, Bordner Survey, and 1984 USGS topographic quad map. The waterfilled depression is not mapped as wetland in the SWDV, Original Land Survey, Bordner Survey, and 1984 USFS topo map and the soils within the depression are identified as Landfill. The depressin is within an historic landfill placed in a borrow area created when soils were excavated and used to create berms around nearby lime pits. The landfill was closed and covered with soil and vegetation, but poor grading activities resulted in stormwater infiltration and the formation of Wetland 057. The 1938 aerial photo shows the review area within a forested area with no wetland signatures. By 1998, the review area appears to be capped with some vegetation but no wetland signatures.**

**The determination of no jurisdiction for the waterfilled depression is in accordance with the preamble to the 1986 Corps Regulations (33 CFR Parts 320-330), which states that the Corps does not generally consider the following to be waters of the U.S.; waterfilled depressions created in dry land incidental to construction activity and pits excavated in dry land for the purpose of obtaining, fill, sand, or gravel (see 33 CFR 328.3(b)).**

**SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

**A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs:** N/A

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

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

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): **The waterfilled depression (Wetland 057) is not a water of the U.S. pursuant to the preamble to the Corps 1986 regulations (33 CFR Parts 320-330).**

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: **Aerial photos and maps (Original Land Survey, Bordner Survey, Historic USGS Topographic) provided by GAI Consultants, 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 WI-Nekoosa**
- ☐ USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation:
- ☐ National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name:
- ☒ State/Local wetland inventory map(s): **Surface Water Data Viewer-Wisconsin Wetland Inventory and NRCS Wisconsin Soils layers**
- ☐ FEMA/FIRM maps:
- ☐ 100-year Floodplain Elevation is:      (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- ☒ Photographs: ☒ Aerial (Name & Date): **1938, 1998, and 2005**  
or ☐ Other (Name & Date):
- ☐ Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:
- ☐ Applicable/supporting case law:
- ☐ Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
- ☐ Other information (please specify):

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