

# 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): 6/22/2020

ORM Number: MVP-2020-00641-ARC

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Minnesota City: Chisolm County/Parish/Borough: Saint Louis

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 47.4852 Longitude -92.9191

## **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: N/A or describe rationale.
- ☐ 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.	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) Siz	:e	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination		
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;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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### 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	
Wetland 01	0.28	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland 01 is confined to the county road right- of-way, does not contain an outflow and does not contribute a surface flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water.	
Wetland 02	0.05	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland 02 is also located in the road right-of- way surrounded by the roadway to the south and a hill slope with an elevation change of approximately 30 feet to the north. Precipitation flows from the surrounding slope into the basin where it pools and filters into the water table because it cannot flow out. The wetland does not contribute a surface flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water.	
Wetland 04	0.47	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland 04 is confined to the county road right- of-way as well with the roadway to the south and a hill slope to the north with an elevation change of approximately 20 feet. The wetland does not contain an outflow and does not contribute a surface flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water.	
Wetland 34	0.10	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non- adjacent wetland.	Wetland 34 is a small depressional wetland that does not contain an outflow and does not contribute a surface flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water.	
Wetland 42	0.01	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	Wetland 42 is a very small depressional wetland that does not contain an outflow and does not contribute a surface flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water.	

## **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: Northern States Power Company PCN - April 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: Other: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- ☐ Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).

<sup>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;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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	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).
$\times$	USFWS NWI maps: USFWS NWI mapping
	USGS topographic maps: Title(s) and/or date(s).

## 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	The National Map Viewer
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 or provide typical year assessment for each relevant data source used to support the conclusions in the AJD.
- **C.** Additional comments to support AJD: The wetlands in question are not abutting a water identified in paragraph (a)(1)-(a)(3) of the NWPR, are not contributing a surface water flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water, and are not inundated by flooding from an (a)(1)-(a)(3) water in a typical year. All wetlands meet the (b)(1) exclusion as defined in the NWPR.