

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): 10/22/2020

ORM Number: POA-1996-00211 Associated JDs: POA-1996-00211

Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: AK City: Delta Junction County/Parish/Borough: N/A

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 64.43471 Longitude 144.8256

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.

\times	The review area is comprised entirely of dry land (i.e., there are no waters or water features, including	ng
	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	s and Harbors Act jurisdiction within th	е
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)²

§ 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) Siz	ze	(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) Siz	:e	(a)(3) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(3) Determination	
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	

Adjacent wetla	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.		

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 standalone 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)): ⁴						
Exclusion Name	Exclusion	n Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination		
N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.	N/A.		

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: Wetland delineation 1875 Bench and Lower Camp C Bench Ridge submitted March 5, 2002.

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: The wetland delineation contains sufficient aerial imagery, delineation of the project areas, and the included data information for a sufficient jurisdictional determination.

- ☐ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).
- ☑ Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): POA-1996-00211
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: <u>provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.</u>
- ☐ USDA NRCS Soil Survey: N/A
- USFWS NWI maps: USF10/26/2020 WS Wetland Mapper Digital Database, accessed 10/22/2020, and 10/26/2020

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: The sites of trenches one and two are located at approximately 1,985 ft. elevation on the 1875 Bench Site, and trenches three and four are found at approximately 4,205 ft. elevation located on the Lower Camp C site. The photo-signatures of the aerial imagery at higher elevations indicate little to no vegetation over top rock crust, unidentifiable mosses and lichens, and dwarf birch, and unidentifiable dwarf spruce. The photo-signature aerial imagery of the lower elevation displays quaking aspen, white paper birch, and various identifiable shrub-scrub vegetation such as alder and willow. There are no visible slough scars, surface water, or other signes of hydrology in the areas.

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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