

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): 03-FEB-2021 ORM Number: POA-1996-00272 Associated JDs: N/A or ORM numbers and identifiers (POA-1996-00272 JD from January 01, 2001 and another from April 02, 1996 CS19960272-Historical Site) Review Area Location¹:

State/Territory: AK City: North Pole County/Parish/Borough: Fairbanks North Star Borough Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 64.73702 Longitude -147.30422

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)²

§ 10 Name	§ 10 Size	§ 10 Criteria	Rationale for § 10 Determination
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	

Tributaries ((a)(2) waters):

(2	a)(2) Name	(a)(2) Size	(a)(2) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(2) Determination
Che	ena Slough		surface water flow directly or	Chena Slough is part of the historical floodplain network of the Chena and Tanana River delta and is currently a tributary of the Chena River.

Lakes and ponds, and impoundments of jurisdictional waters ((a)(3)) waters):

(a)(3) Name	(a)(3) Size	(a)(3)	Criteria	Rationale	or (a)(3) Determination
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 independent 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.

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.



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REGULATORY PROGRAM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM) NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):

/ lajacont motil				
(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) Determination	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

D. Excluded Waters or Features

E	Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))^4$:				
	Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ^⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination	
	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.
 - **_x_** Information submitted by, or on behalf of, the applicant/consultant: *Application for NWP permit* with plans and NWI delineation.

This information *is* sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: This information essentially included all the desktop resources that the Corps would use to conduct a delineation during winter months with snow on the ground. The wetlands in this area are well documented.

- ____ Data sheets prepared by the Corps: *NA*
- Photographs: NA
- Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: NA
- **x** Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): CS19960272-Historical Site, April 2, 1996 and POA-1996-00272 January 1, 2001.
- ____ Antecedent Precipitation Tool: provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: NA
- **x** USFWS NWI maps: National Wetland Inventory HU8_19080306_Chena River (accsd online database 01-2020)
- **_x_** USGS topographic maps: *Fairbanks C-1, 1:63,360*

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 or provide typical year assessment for each relevant data source used to support the conclusions in the AJD.

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 independent 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.

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.



U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS REGULATORY PROGRAM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM (INTERIM) NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION RULE

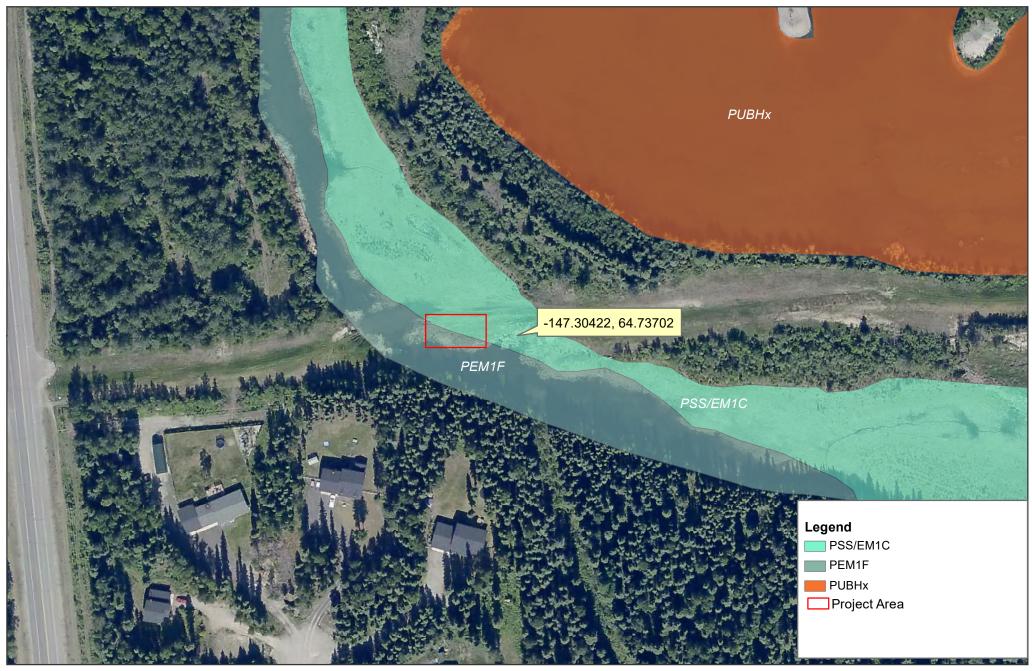
C. Additional comments to support AJD: This location has a well-documented surface connection to the Chena and Tanana Rivers and is perennial in nature.

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 independent 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.
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.

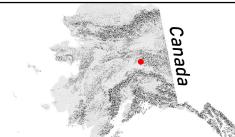
 $^{^5}$ Because of the broad nature of the (b)(1) exclusion and in an effort to collect data on specific types of waters that would be covered by the (b)(1) exclusion, four sub-categories of (b)(1) exclusions were administratively created for the purposes of the AJD Form. These four sub-categories are not new exclusions, but are simply administrative distinctions and remain (b)(1) exclusions as defined by the NWPR.



POA-1996-00272 Mid Alaska Pipeline Chena Slough Project Area & National Wetland Inventory



USACE Regulatory, Alaska District Fairbanks Field Office (907) 458-1602 Contact: amy.c.tippery@usace.army.mil Citation: HU8_19080306_Chena rv Projection: NAD 1983 Scale:1:1,543 Imagery: Pictometry_2012_9in_Fairbanks.sid Date: 2/11/2021



0.02 0.04 0.06

J