

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): 12/28/2020

ORM Number: POA-2020-00421

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: Alaska City: Manokotak County/Parish/Borough: Dillingham

Census Area

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 58.966904 Longitude -158.942157

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
	wetlands, of any kind in the entire review area). Rationale: The area defined by the applicant for
	construction is comprised of uplands. This is supported by NWI mapping and dominant vegetation type

There are "navigable waters of the United States" within Rivers and Harbors Act jurisdiction within th	e
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

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§ 10 Name	ame § 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.		

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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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.			

D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters $((b)(1) - (b)(12))$:						
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: Construcion location map send November 19, 2020

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: The maps submitted include the boundry of the project. This area is smaller then the entire tract submitted in the initial request. This map also include clear imagry of the vegeation on site to further strengthen the upland determination.

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- ☐ Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): ORM Number(s) and date(s).
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: <u>provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.</u>
- ☐ USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- □ USFWS NWI maps: Map created January 8, 2021
- ☐ 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	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 absence of delineated wetlands on the USFWS NWI map is a strong indication that wetlands are not present. To further support the determination that the project area is only uplands the major vegetation types were assessed using an image provided by the applicant. The

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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dominant tree species in the project area is white spruce (Picea glauca) FAC and Aspen (Populus tremuloides) FACU; the sapling shrub layer is comprised of willow (Salix sp.) and Alder (Aluns sp.); it is hard to determine what the herb stratum would consist of however plants associated with P. glauca and P. tremuloides are usually FAC to UPL. Further analysis of the landform indicate a slight slope and little likely hood to hold water on site; no visible drainage patterns exist in the project area.