

## 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): 19-JAN-2021

ORM Number: POA-2021-00036

Associated JDs: N/A or ORM numbers and identifiers (e.g. HQS-2020-00001-MSW-MITSITE)

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: The project site is located at roughly 41 miles south of Glennallen, on Alyeska Pipeline Access Road 14APL4 approximately 300 feet west of Richardson Highway MP 74.4 Section 21 T. 3 S., R. 1 E., Copper River Meridian; USGS Quad Map Valdez C–4.

State/Territory: AK City: near Glenallen County/Parish/Borough: Valdez-Cordova Census Area Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 61.594444 Longitude -145.223333

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Α.	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	l
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	l

## C. Clean Water Act Section 404

Territorial Seas and Traditional Navigable Waters ((a)(1) waters)<sup>3</sup>

(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):

(a)(2) Name	(a)(2) Size	(a)(2) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(2) Determination
Little Tonsina River	N/A	(a)(2) Perennial tributary contributes surface water flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water in a typical year	This is a well mapped tributary of the Tonsina River

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

(a)(3) Name	(a)(3) Size	(a)(3	) Criteria	Rati	ionale for (a)(3) Determination
N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	

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<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 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.

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

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

## D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters  $((b)(1) - (b)(12))^4$ :

<b>Exclusion Name</b>	Exclusion Size	Exclusion⁵	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 a NWP3*, site maps and design plans (January 7, 2021).

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

Rationale: This is a well-known, well mapped area and the channel and banks, as well as the surrounding area where the construction impacts will be, is well-documented with clear boundaries between uplands and wetlands/WOTUS

Data sheets	prepared by	v the Corp	s: <i>N/A</i>

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Corps Site	visit(s)	conducted on	<ul> <li>N/A</li> </ul>

- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations N/A.
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: N/A, no wetlands onsite
- x USFWS NWI maps: NWI wetlands and waters database, USFWS (accessed online 01/2021)
- USGS topographic maps: N/A

### 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: WOTUS are restricted to the stream channel and the adjacent banks just above OHW. No JD map necessary to portray the channel and banks.

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