



**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): 3/2/2021

ORM Number: POA-2021-00094

Associated JDs: NA

Review Area Location¹: State/Territory: Alaska City: Homer County/Parish/Borough: Kenai Peninsula

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 59.6564 Longitude -151.6166

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
- 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):			
(a)(2) Name	(a)(2) Size	(a)(2) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(2) Determination
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.

Adjacent wetlands ((a)(4) waters):			
(a)(4) Name	(a)(4) Size	(a)(4) Criteria	Rationale for (a)(4) 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 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)): ⁴				
Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size		Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Non-adjacent wetland	1.46	acre(s)	(b)(1) Non-adjacent wetland.	The subject site consists of a depression wetland surrounded by a wetland/upland complex. Previous determinations indicate the majority of the wetland/upland complex is upland. Authorized construction around the subject property severed any connection, if one existed, between the wetlands and any jurisdictional water feature. See Section III (C) below.

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: [Title\(s\) and date\(s\)](#)
This information [Select](#). 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: [Select](#). [Title\(s\) and/or date\(s\)](#).
- Corps site visit(s) conducted on: [Date\(s\)](#).
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): [POA-1986-00901 \(5 Nov 2008\)](#), [POA-1986-00901-D \(23 Aug 2007\)](#) and [POA-2020-00360 \(8 Aug 2020\)](#)
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: [provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.](#)
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: [Title\(s\) and/or date\(s\)](#).
- USFWS NWI maps: [Title\(s\) and/or date\(s\)](#).
- 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	Wetland Mapping and Classification of the Kenai Lowland, Alaska. 21 March 2008. Gracz, Mike, Noyes, K., North, P., and Tande, G.; cookinletwetlands.info
Other Sources	N/A.

B. Typical year assessment(s): [N/A](#)

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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C. Additional comments to support AJD: No wetland delineation was required as part of this AJD. The site was modified by logging prior to 2000. The evidence indicates the wetland boundaries on the subject parcel, as mapped by Gracz et. al, are sufficient for this AJD. The ground slopes away from the subject lot the northwest and also to the south, southeast.

A 2007 delineation found that the Bidarka Heights Subdivision, within which the subject lot is a part of, contained 0.49 acres of depression wetlands, 9.34 acres of wetland/upland complex, and 2.58 acres of forested depression wetland. The wetland/upland complex was found to be comprised of 2.4 acres of wetlands and 6.94 acres of uplands. Authorized fill (POA-1986-00901, 5 Nov 2008) on Lot 2A immediately west of the subject lot severed any surface water connection to the wetlands northwest of the subject lot that may have historically existed. Use of a NWP 29 was verified on Aug 7, 2007 (POA-1986-901-D) to construct Highland Drive and driveways within the subdivision. Lot 2C is south of the subject lot; Lot 2D-1 is east of the subject lot. The Corps declined jurisdiction over Lot 2C on 28 Aug 2020 (POA-2020-00360). The driveway/house on Lot 2D-1 severs any surface water connection between the subject lot and an unnamed tributary to Kachemak Bay. The subject lot is surrounded by uplands, authorized fill, and/or non-jurisdictional wetlands and is thus isolated.