

# 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): December 18, 2020 ORM Number: LRN-2020-00813 Associated JDs: N/A Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: TN City: Soddy Daisy County/Parish/Borough: Hamilton County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 35.28661 Longitude -85.10463

# 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)<sup>2</sup>

§ 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)<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
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	I/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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<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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# D. Excluded Waters or Features

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

Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
LRN-2020-00813	163 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including	Channel-1 was determined to have ephemeral flow
WWC1		an ephemeral stream, swale, gully,	regime based on an evaluation of the submitted
		rill, or pool	hydrologic determination forms, topographical maps,
			Antecedent Precipitation Tool, and online resources
			along with USACE Site Visit that was conducted. There
			was an absence of a continuous OHWM throughout the
			channel. A review of aerial imagery and site evaluation
			concludes the channels starting terminus is at
			35.28863, -85.10459 and end terminus is at 35.28634, -
			85.10428. NHD and NWI layers do have the feature
			mapped. However, due to large scale commercial
			development within the area of adjoining properties the
			feature only promotes ephemeral flow.

# 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: Surface Waters and Habitat Assessment, 11914 Armstrong Road, dated August 4, 2020 (revised December 15, 2020).

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A

Data sheets prepared by the Corps: *Title(s) and/or date(s)*.

- **X** Photographs: Reference Surface Waters and Habitat Assessment, 11914 Armstrong Road, dated August 4, 2020
- \_X\_ Corps Site visit(s) conducted on: 5-Nov-2020.
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): N/A
- **X** Antecedent Precipitation Tool: *provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.*
- X USDA NRCS Soil Survey: Surface Waters and Habitat Assessment, 11914 Armstrong Road, dated August 4, 2020
- **\_X\_** USFWS NWI maps: Surface Waters and Habitat Assessment, 11914 Armstrong Road, dated August 4, 2020.
- **\_X** USGS topographic maps: 1:24K TN-GRASSHOPPER CREEK.

# Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	Quadrangle map of property
USDA Sources	NRCS WETS table: Included on Antecedent Precipitation Tool, Determined to be wetter than normal.

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NOAA Sources	NCDC Palmer Drought Severity Index: For the review period the location was determined to be "extreme wetness"
USACE Sources	ORM2.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

- **B.** Typical year assessment(s): The Antecedent Precipitation Tool was used to evaluate the project area for the previous 60 days, with a date of November 5, 2020. A single point centered on the center of the project site was used to evaluate the rainfall data and was determined to be sufficient based on the small geographic size of the site. The 60-day period beginning November 5, 2020 was determined to be wetter than normal conditions. The drought index further describes the period as extreme wetness and the rainfall for the previous 30 days was greater than than the 30-year rolling. No flow was observed in the WWC.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD: N/A or provide additional discussion as appropriate.

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