

**APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM**  
**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in Section IV of the JD Form Instructional Guidebook.

**SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): 07-Nov-2018**

**B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER:** Chicago District, LRC-2018-527, Wicker Avenue, St. John, Indiana

**C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** The project area (approximately 23 acres in size) is located on Wicker Rd. in St. John, IN (Exhibit A: Location Map). It is generally bounded by commercial buildings to the north and south, railroad tracks to the east, and Wicker Rd. to the west. The site is located within the Bull Run-West Creek watershed in the Kankakee River Basin. A historically excavated basin exists in the eastern portion of the project area. The basin is dominated by wetland vegetation. Additionally, two channels were excavated and directed to the basin area that historically did not connect. The excavated basin is approximately 4 acres, and connected to channels in the north and southwest. A majority of the northern boundary of the basin consists of constructed steep slopes. Two earthen berms appear to divide the basin. The berm along the southern portion has a culvert that was previously piped underground and extended south. Sections of broken clay pipe are found throughout this area. The basin is primarily vegetated by Cattails ( *Typha* sp ), Reed Canary Grass ( *Phalaris arundinacea* ), Common Reed ( *Phragmites australis* ), Willow species ( *Salix* sp ) and Silver Maples ( *Acer saccharinum* ). A site visit shows the basin, and the connected channels to be isolated from Waters of the US, including St. John Ditch which flows to the southwest of the project area.

State: Indiana County/parish/borough: **Lake** City: St. John  
Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 41.442829°N, Long. -87.4567360° W.  
Universal Transverse Mercator: Zone 16

Name of nearest waterbody: St. John Ditch

Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) into which the aquatic resource flows: **Kankakee River**

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): **Kankakee (07120001)**

- Check if map/diagram of review area and/or potential jurisdictional areas is/are available upon request.  
 Check if other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc...) are associated with this action and are recorded on a different JD form.

**D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):**

- Office (Desk) Determination. Date: 15-Oct-2018  
 Field Determination. Date(s): 16-Jul-2018

**SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

**A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.**

There **Are no** "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area. [Required]

**B. CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.**

There **Are no** "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area. [Required]

**2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):<sup>1</sup>**

- Potentially jurisdictional waters and/or wetlands were assessed within the review area and determined to be not jurisdictional.  
Explain: .

**SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS**

**E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):<sup>2</sup>**

- which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes.  
 from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce.  
 which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.  
 Interstate isolated waters. Explain: .  
 Other factors. Explain: .

**Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:** .

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):

<sup>1</sup> Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.

<sup>2</sup> Prior to asserting or declining CWA jurisdiction based solely on this category, Corps Districts will elevate the action to Corps and EPA HQ for review consistent with the process described in the Corps/EPA Memorandum Regarding CWA Act Jurisdiction Following Rapanos.

- Tributary waters:        linear feet        width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters:        acres.  
    Identify type(s) of waters:        .
- Wetlands:        acres.





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### **INTERIM APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM U.S. Army Corps of Engineers**

This form should be completed by following the instructions provided in the Interim Approved Jurisdictional Determination Form User Manual.

#### **SECTION I: BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

**A. COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (AJD):** November 19, 2018

**B. ORM NUMBER IN APPROPRIATE FORMAT (e.g., HQ-2015-00001-SMJ):** LRC-2018-848

#### **C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

State: Illinois

County/parish/borough: Will

City: Joliet

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 41.4662, Long. -88.1558.

Map(s)/diagram(s) of review area (including map identifying single point of entry (SPOE) watershed and/or potential jurisdictional areas where applicable) is/are:  attached  in report/map titled Wetland and Waters November 2018 Delineation by Geosyntec Consultants..

Other sites (e.g., offsite mitigation sites, disposal sites, etc.) are associated with this action and are recorded on a different jurisdictional determination (JD) form. List JD form ID numbers (e.g., HQ-2015-00001-SMJ-1):

#### **D. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION:**

Office (Desk) Determination Only. Date:

Office (Desk) and Field Determination. Office/Desk Dates: November 19, 2018 Field Date(s): November 8, 2018.

#### **SECTION II: DATA SOURCES**

Check all that were used to aid in the determination and attach data/maps to this AJD form and/or references/citations in the administrative record, as appropriate.

Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant. Title/Date: Wetland and Waters November 2018 Delineation by Geosyntec Consultants..

Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.

Data sheets/delineation report are sufficient for purposes of AJD form. Title/Date: Wetland and Waters November 2018 Delineation by Geosyntec Consultants..

Data sheets/delineation report are not sufficient for purposes of AJD form. Summarize rationale and include information on revised data sheets/delineation report that this AJD form has relied upon:

Revised Title/Date:

Data sheets prepared by the Corps. Title/Date:

Corps navigable waters study. Title/Date:

CorpsMap ORM map layers. Title/Date:

USGS Hydrologic Atlas. Title/Date: Channahon.

USGS, NHD, or WBD data/maps. Title/Date:

USGS 8, 10 and/or 12 digit HUC maps. HUC number: Channahon.

USGS maps. Scale & quad name and date:

USDA NRCS Soil Survey. Citation: Web Soil Survey.

USFWS National Wetlands Inventory maps. Citation: Channahon.

State/Local wetland inventory maps. Citation:

FEMA/FIRM maps. Citation:

Photographs:  Aerial. Citation: . or  Other. Citation: .

LiDAR data/maps. Citation:

Previous JDs. File no. and date of JD letter:

Applicable/supporting case law:

- Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
- Other information (please specify): Original site development engineering plan set for X-Treme Challenge Park. Site visit with wetland consultant to walk property for 5 hours to look at all wetlands and erosional features.

**SECTION III: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

**Complete ORM "Aquatic Resource Upload Sheet" or Export and Print the Aquatic Resource Water Droplet Screen from ORM for All Waters and Features, Regardless of Jurisdictional Status – Required**

**A. RIVERS AND HARBORS ACT (RHA) SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION:**

- "navigable waters of the U.S." within RHA jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review area.

- **Complete Table 1 - Required**

NOTE: If the navigable water is not subject to the ebb and flow of the tide or included on the District's list of Section 10 navigable waters list, DO NOT USE THIS FORM TO MAKE THE DETERMINATION. The District must continue to follow the procedure outlined in 33 CFR part 329.14 to make a Section 10 RHA navigability determination.

**B. CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA) SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION:** "waters of the U.S." within CWA jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328.3) in the review area. **Check all that apply.**

- (a)(1): All waters which are currently used, were used in the past, or may be susceptible to use in interstate or foreign commerce, including all waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide. (Traditional Navigable Waters (TNWs))

- **Complete Table 1 - Required**

- This AJD includes a case-specific (a)(1) TNW (Section 404 navigable-in-fact) determination on a water that has not previously been designated as such. Documentation required for this case-specific (a)(1) TNW determination is attached.

- (a)(2): All interstate waters, including interstate wetlands.

- **Complete Table 2 - Required**

- (a)(3): The territorial seas.

- **Complete Table 3 - Required**

- (a)(4): All impoundments of waters otherwise identified as waters of the U.S. under 33 CFR part 328.3.

- **Complete Table 4 - Required**

- (a)(5): All tributaries, as defined in 33 CFR part 328.3, of waters identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3.

- **Complete Table 5 - Required**

- (a)(6): All waters adjacent to a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(5) of 33 CFR part 328.3, including wetlands, ponds, lakes, oxbows, impoundments, and similar waters.

- **Complete Table 6 - Required**

- Bordering/Contiguous.
    - Neighboring:

- (c)(2)(i): All waters located within 100 feet of the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(5) of 33 CFR part 328.3.

- (c)(2)(ii): All waters located within the 100-year floodplain of a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(5) of 33 CFR part 328.3 and not more than 1,500 feet of the OHWM of such water.

- (c)(2)(iii): All waters located within 1,500 feet of the high tide line of a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1) or (a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3, and all waters within 1,500 feet of the OHWM of the Great Lakes.

- (a)(7): All waters identified in 33 CFR 328.3(a)(7)(i)-(v) where they are determined, on a case-specific basis, to have a significant nexus to a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3.

- **Complete Table 7 for the significant nexus determination. Attach a map delineating the SPOE watershed boundary with (a)(7) waters identified in the similarly situated analysis. - Required**

- Includes water(s) that are geographically and physically adjacent per (a)(6), but are being used for established, normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities (33 USC Section 1344(f)(1)) and therefore are not adjacent and require a case-specific significant nexus determination.

- (a)(8): All waters located within the 100-year floodplain of a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3 not covered by (c)(2)(ii) above and all waters located within 4,000 feet of the high tide line or OHWM of a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(5) of 33 CFR part 328.3 where they are determined on a case-specific basis to have a significant nexus to a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3.

- **Complete Table 8 for the significant nexus determination. Attach a map delineating the SPOE watershed boundary with (a)(8) waters identified in the similarly situated analysis. - Required**

Includes water(s) that are geographically and physically adjacent per (a)(6), but are being used for established, normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities (33 USC Section 1344(f)(1)) and therefore are not adjacent and require a case-specific significant nexus determination.

### C. NON-WATERS OF THE U.S. FINDINGS:

#### **Check all that apply.**

- The review area is comprised entirely of dry land.
- Potential-(a)(7) Waters: Waters that DO NOT have a significant nexus to a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3.
- **Complete Table 9 and attach a map delineating the SPOE watershed boundary with potential (a)(7) waters identified in the similarly situated analysis. - Required**
- Includes water(s) that are geographically and physically adjacent per (a)(6), but are being used for established, normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities (33 USC Section 1344(f)(1)) and therefore are not adjacent and require a case-specific significant nexus determination.
- Potential-(a)(8) Waters: Waters that DO NOT have a significant nexus to a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3) of 33 CFR part 328.3.
- **Complete Table 9 and attach a map delineating the SPOE watershed boundary with potential (a)(8) waters identified in the similarly situated analysis. - Required**
- Includes water(s) that are geographically and physically adjacent per (a)(6), but are being used for established, normal farming, silviculture, and ranching activities (33 USC Section 1344(f)(1)) and therefore are not adjacent and require a case-specific significant nexus determination.
- Excluded Waters (Non-Waters of U.S.), even where they otherwise meet the terms of paragraphs (a)(4)-(a)(8):
- **Complete Table 10 - Required**
- (b)(1): Waste treatment systems, including treatment ponds or lagoons designed to meet the requirements of the CWA.
- (b)(2): Prior converted cropland.
- (b)(3)(i): Ditches with ephemeral flow that are not a relocated tributary or excavated in a tributary.
- (b)(3)(ii): Ditches with intermittent flow that are not a relocated tributary, excavated in a tributary, or drain wetlands.
- (b)(3)(iii): Ditches that do not flow, either directly or through another water, into a water identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(a)(3).
- (b)(4)(i): Artificially irrigated areas that would revert to dry land should application of water to that area cease.
- (b)(4)(ii): Artificial, constructed lakes and ponds created in dry land such as farm and stock watering ponds, irrigation ponds, settling basins, fields flooded for rice growing, log cleaning ponds, or cooling ponds.
- (b)(4)(iii): Artificial reflecting pools or swimming pools created in dry land.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(4)(iv): Small ornamental waters created in dry land.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(4)(v): Water-filled depressions created in dry land incidental to mining or construction activity, including pits excavated for obtaining fill, sand, or gravel that fill with water.
- (b)(4)(vi): Erosional features, including gullies, rills, and other ephemeral features that do not meet the definition of tributary, non-wetland swales, and lawfully constructed grassed waterways.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(4)(vii): Puddles.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(5): Groundwater, including groundwater drained through subsurface drainage systems.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(6): Stormwater control features constructed to convey, treat, or store stormwater that are created in dry land.<sup>1</sup>
- (b)(7): Wastewater recycling structures created in dry land; detention and retention basins built for wastewater recycling; groundwater recharge basins; percolation ponds built for wastewater recycling; and water distributary structures built for wastewater recycling.
- Other non-jurisdictional waters/features within review area that do not meet the definitions in 33 CFR 328.3 of (a)(1)-(a)(8) waters and are not excluded waters identified in (b)(1)-(b)(7).
- **Complete Table 11 - Required.**

### D. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT AJD: Detailed site visit, and review of maps and aerials.

<sup>1</sup> In many cases these excluded features will not be specifically identified on the AJD form, unless specifically requested. Corps Districts may, in case-by-case instances, choose to identify some or all of these features within the review area.



**Jurisdictional Waters of the U.S.**

**Table 1. (a)(1) Traditional Navigable Waters**

<b>(a)(1) Waters Name</b>	<b>(a)(1) Criteria</b>	<b>Rationale to Support (a)(1) Designation Include High Tide Line or Ordinary High Water Mark indicators, when applicable.</b>
N/A	Choose an item.	N/A

**Table 2. (a)(2) Interstate Waters**

<b>(a)(2) Waters Name</b>	<b>Rationale to Support (a)(2) Designation</b>
N/A	N/A

**Table 3. (a)(3) Territorial Seas**

<b>(a)(3) Waters Name</b>	<b>Rationale to Support (a)(3) Designation</b>
N/A	N/A

**Table 4. (a)(4) Impoundments**

<b>(a)(4) Waters Name</b>	<b>Rationale to Support (a)(4) Designation</b>
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A

**Table 5. (a)(5) Tributaries**

<b>(a)(5) Waters Name</b>	<b>Flow Regime</b>	<b>(a)(1)-(a)(3) Water Name to which this (a)(5) Tributary Flows</b>	<b>Tributary Breaks</b>	<b>Rationale for (a)(5) Designation and Additional Discussion. Identify flowpath to (a)(1)-(a)(3) water or attach map identifying the flowpath; explain any breaks or flow through excluded/non-jurisdictional features, etc.</b>
Erosional Feature 1	Intermittent	Des Plaines River	No	This feature is fed by a detention basin that dumps into this historic feature, and flows to the Des Plaines River.
N/A	Choose an item.	N/A	Choose an item.	N/A
N/A	Choose an item.	N/A	Choose an item.	N/A
N/A	Choose an item.	N/A	Choose an item.	N/A

**Table 6. (a)(6) Adjacent Waters**

<b>(a)(6) Waters Name</b>	<b>(a)(1)-(a)(5) Water Name to which this Water is Adjacent</b>	<b>Rationale for (a)(6) Designation and Additional Discussion. Identify the type of water and how the limits of jurisdiction were established (e.g., wetland, 87 Manual/Regional Supplement); explain how the 100-year floodplain and/or the distance threshold was determined; whether this water extends beyond a threshold; explain if the water is part of a mosaic, etc.</b>
Wetland 1	Tributary to Des Plaines River (off-site)	Wetland delineated utilizing the Midwest Supplement. It is on shallow slope, and drained by a tributary that flows directly into the Des Plaines River.
Wetland 4	Tributary to Des Plaines River (off-site)	Wetland delineated utilizing the Midwest Supplement. It has a culvert pipe under both RR tracks with the tributary flowing all the way into the Des Plaines River.
N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 7. (a)(7) Waters**

<b>SPOE Name</b>	<b>(a)(7) Waters Name</b>	<b>(a)(1)-(a)(3) Water Name to which this Water has a Significant Nexus</b>	<b>Significant Nexus Determination Identify SPOE watershed; discuss whether any similarly situated waters were present and aggregated for SND; discuss data, provide analysis, and summarize how the waters have more than speculative or insubstantial effect on the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water, etc.</b>
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 8. (a)(8) Waters**

<b>SPOE Name</b>	<b>(a)(8) Waters Name</b>	<b>(a)(1)-(a)(3) Water Name to which this Water has a Significant Nexus</b>	<b>Significant Nexus Determination Identify SPOE watershed; explain how 100-yr floodplain and/or the distance threshold was determined; discuss whether waters were determined to be similarly situated to subject water and aggregated for SND; discuss data, provide analysis, and then summarize how the waters have more than speculative or insubstantial effect the on the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water, etc.</b>
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Non-Jurisdictional Waters**

**Table 9. Non-Waters/No Significant Nexus**

<b>SPOE Name</b>	<b>Non-(a)(7)/(a)(8) Waters Name</b>	<b>(a)(1)-(a)(3) Water Name to which this Water DOES NOT have a Significant Nexus</b>	<b>Basis for Determination that the Functions DO NOT Contribute Significantly to the Chemical, Physical, or Biological Integrity of the (a)(1)-(a)(3) Water. Identify SPOE watershed; explain how 100-yr floodplain and/or the distance threshold was determined; discuss whether waters were determined to be similarly situated to the subject water; discuss data, provide analysis, and summarize how the waters did not have more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the (a)(1)-(a)(3) water.</b>
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

**Table 10. Non-Waters/Excluded Waters and Features**

<b>Paragraph (b) Excluded Feature/Water Name</b>	<b>Rationale for Paragraph (b) Excluded Feature/Water and Additional Discussion.</b>
Erosional Feature 2	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 3	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 4	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 5	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 6	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 7	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 8	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 9	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
Erosional Feature 10	Upland drainageway on steep slope that starts and ends on-site; conveying stormwater only during rain events
SMF 1	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.
SMF 2	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.
SMF 3	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.
Constructed Swale 1	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.
Constructed Swale 2	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.
Constructed Swale 3	Constructed stormwater management feature in uplands.

**Table 11. Non-Waters/Other**

<b>Other Non-Waters of U.S. Feature/Water Name</b>	<b>Rationale for Non-Waters of U.S. Feature/Water and Additional Discussion.</b>
Wetland 2	Wetland 2 is at the base of a slope where rainwater impounds against a berm, and has no way to leave the site. Water would have to overtop this berm, then two other RailRoad berms further down slope.
Wetland 3	Wetland 3 is at the base of a slope where rainwater impounds against a berm, and has no way to leave the site. Water would have to overtop this berm, then two other RailRoad berms further down slope.