

Requesting a Jurisdictional Determination

- 1.** Hire a private consultant to conduct a "wetland delineation" of the property. The consultant should furnish you a report that contains the field data ([data sheets](#)) concerning [vegetation](#), [hydrology](#), and [soils](#). The report should also include a drawing specifying the location of wetlands on the property, methodology used, and references.
- 2.** Fill out a Joint Aquatic Resource Permits Application ([JARPA](#)) form. Submit a copy of the wetland delineation with the JARPA. We require original signatures on the JARPA; faxes are not acceptable. (NOTE: Some activities are exempt from Corps permit requirements, even if they occur in a wetland. Be sure to identify your proposed activity or provide a brief description of the proposed work.
- 3.** Accurately identify the property on a vicinity map so that we are able to locate your property property (city or county map, soil survey photo, USGS Quad map, etc.). Also, please provide dimensions of the entire property.
- 4. OPTIONAL DOCUMENTATION:** On cleared or sparsely wooded properties, photographs can greatly assist in the review process and often make a field visit unnecessary. We must see complete coverage of the property, including the ground cover and vegetation overstory. Any other data you can include may help, such as land use or cropping history for past five years, drainage improvements, etc.
- 5.** We will review all available data within our office and attempt to provide a quick response to your request. Many determinations require a site visit, which always takes more time to complete. If your determination requires a site visit, we will coordinate the visit with you and/or your consultant.

6. We will issue an official jurisdictional determination after our review. This jurisdictional determination is good for five years. If you have any questions regarding this process and would like to speak with a Corps of Engineers representative, please call **(206) 764-3495.**

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