

### 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): 2/8/2021 ORM Number: NWS-2020-221 Associated JDs: N/A Review Area Location1: State/Territony Washington, City: Kirkland, County/Paris

Review Area Location<sup>1</sup>: State/Territory: Washington City: Kirkland County/Parish/Borough: King Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 47.69380 Longitude -122.19365

# **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.	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.	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.	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.	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.	N/A.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Map(s)/figure(s) are attached to the AJD provided to the requestor.

<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 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	Exclusior	n Size	Exclusion <sup>5</sup>	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
Ditch 1	1660	linear feet	(b)(5) Ditch that is not an (a)(1) or (a)(2) water, and those portions of a ditch constructed in an (a)(4) water that do not satisfy the conditions of (c)(1). (b)(3) excluded water (ephemeral features).	The ditch is not an $(a)(1)$ or $(a)(2)$ water and was not constructed in an $(a)(4)$ water. The ditch does not meet the $(C)(12)$ definition for a tributary and does not meet the $(c)(1)$ definition for an adjacent wetland. See Section III.C for additional discussion.

## **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: Jurisdictional Determination Map, dated 1/29/2020 and Email Rational, dated 9/8/2020. Photographs Images A, B, and C, dated 11/11/2019; Photographs Images A, B, and C, dated 01/15/2020; Photographs Images A and B, dated 01/21/202. This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A

- Data sheets prepared by the Corps: Title(s) and/or date(s).
- Photographs: Aerial: Review Area Google Earth, accessed on 1/15/2021
- $\Box$  Corps site visit(s) conducted on: Date(s).
- Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs): ORM Number(s) and date(s).
- Antecedent Precipitation Tool: *provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.*
- USDA NRCS Soil Survey: USDA Soil MAP North Crestwood, dated 1/15/2021
- USFWS NWI maps: USFWS NWI Map North Crestwood, dated 1/15/2021

USGS topographic maps: Historical Topo Snohomish, Washington 1897, Historical Topo Seattle, Washington 1992, and Historical Topo Kirkland, Washington 1950, dated 9/8/2020

## Other data sources used to aid in this determination:

Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
USGS Sources	USDA Soil Data North Crestwood, dated 1/15/2021
USDA Sources	N/A.
NOAA Sources	N/A.
USACE Sources	N/A.
State/Local/Tribal Sources	N/A.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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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Data Source (select)	Name and/or date and other relevant information
Other Sources	N/A.

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

**C.** Additional comments to support AJD: Historically, the channel was the drainage ditch excavated in uplands along the west side of an old railroad bed, with the east bank of the ditch formed entirely by the ballast shoulder of the old railroad (now the Cross Kirkland Corridor Trail). There is no evidence of a historical stream that may have previously flowed along this path. The flow is ephemeral flow. As the ditch channel upstream of the project site has no other source of flow aside from surface runoff from the adjacent, mostly forested slopes, flow is only observed during the wet season (and then only after enough rainfall has occurred to provide sufficient runoff). Flow in the ditch upstream and within the project site is generally observed drying up by April or early May, depending on spring rainfall.

On 2/8/21, EPA Region 10 concurred with these findings.