



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): May 18, 2021

ORM Number: LRL-2020-01084

Associated JDs: N/A

Review Area Location¹:

State/Territory: KY City: County/Parish/Borough: Meade County

Center Coordinates of Review Area: Latitude 38.145207 Longitude -86.298426

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)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
INT 1 NWPR	2041 feet	(a)(2) Intermittent tributary contributes surface water flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water in a typical year	The intermittent tributary contributes surface water flow continuously during certain times of the year and more than in direct response to precipitation to an (a)(1) water in a typical year.
INT 2 NWPR	231.5 feet	(a)(2) Intermittent tributary contributes surface water flow directly or indirectly to an (a)(1) water in a typical year	The intermittent tributary contributes surface water flow continuously during certain times of the year and more than in direct response to precipitation to an (a)(1) water in a typical year.

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
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N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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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

D. Excluded Waters or Features

Excluded waters ((b)(1) – (b)(12))⁴:

Exclusion Name	Exclusion Size	Exclusion ⁵	Rationale for Exclusion Determination
EPH 1 NWPR	209 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 10 NWPR	81 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 11 NWPR	522 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 12 NWPR	106 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 13 NWPR	1870 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 14 NWPR	252 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 15 NWPR	598 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 16 NWPR	327 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 2 NWPR	87 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 3 NWPR	242 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 4 NWPR	786 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water

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		an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 5 NWPR	325 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 6 NWPR	204 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 7 NWPR	73 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 8 NWPR	119 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.
EPH 9 NWPR	356 feet	(b)(3) Ephemeral feature, including an ephemeral stream, swale, gully, rill, or pool	The ephemeral channel only contains surface water flowing or pooling in direct response to precipitation. The identified ephemeral channel is a (b)(3) water and is therefore excluded from the rule.

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: *Submission of preliminary jurisdictional determination for intermittent streams at Hilltop, Inc. "Big Bend" quarry. Meade County, Kentucky. Date December 03, 2020. LRL-2020-1084. Revision of Approved Jurisdictional Determination following USACE visit for streams at Hilltop Basic Resources, Inc. "Big Bend" quarry. Meade County, Kentucky. Dated May 10, 2021.*

This information is sufficient for purposes of this AJD.

Rationale: N/A

Data sheets prepared by the Corps:

Photographs: *(aerial and other) Google Earth Pro (2014), Google maps with terrain overlay, photos taken during site visit conducted on April 16, 2021 by Corps personnel, and photos submitted by agent dated December 20, 2020.*

Corps Site visit(s) conducted on *April 16, 2021.*

Previous Jurisdictional Determinations (AJDs or PJDs):

Antecedent Precipitation Tool: *provide detailed discussion in Section III.B.*

USDA NRCS Soil Survey:

USFWS NWI maps:

USGS topographic maps: *USGS 1:24K Quad Name – Leavenworth.*

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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	N/A.
Other Sources	N/A.

- B. Typical year assessment(s):** Typical year assessment was conducted utilizing desktop tools, the submitted *LRL-2020-1084. Revision of Approved Jurisdictional Determination following USACE visit for streams at Hilltop Basic Resources, Inc. "Big Bend" quarry. Meade County, Kentucky. Dated May 10, 2021*, submitted photos, and a site visit conducted by Corps personnel on April 16, 2021. Based on the aforementioned supporting documentation, the conditions as described in *Part II: Findings under Section C Clean Water Act Section 404 and Section D Excluded Waters or Features* were determined to be typical.
- C. Additional comments to support AJD:** A request for a Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (PJD) was submitted by Metric Environmental, on behalf of Hilltop Basic Resources, Inc., dated December 3, 2020, regarding aquatic resources located at Big Bend Quarry in Meade County Kentucky. Due to the presence of aquatic resources identified as ephemeral the PJD request was elevated to an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) by Corps personnel. A site visit was conducted on April 16, 2021 by Corps' personnel to verify the recommended aquatic resource classifications made by Metric Environmental. Additional coordination was conducted between Corps personnel and Metric Environmental between April 23, 2021 and May 10, 2021.

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