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 INFORMAT	<u>ION</u>
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A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD)): 11/25/2008
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В.	DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: Portland District, NWP-2008-378, Oregon Department of Corrections
C.	PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: State:Oregon County/parish/borough: Lane City: Junction City Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 44.162564° N, Long123.195262° W. Universal Transverse Mercator: 484366.562081804 X; 4889995.32969156 Y Name of nearest waterbody: Flat Creek Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) into which the aquatic resource flows: Willamette River Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 170900030203, Upper Willamette 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: November 24, 2008 Field Determination. Date(s):
SEC A.	CTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
	Are no "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the new area. [Required] Waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide. Waters are presently used, or have been used in the past, or may be susceptible for use to transport interstate or foreign commerce. Explain:
В.	CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
The	ere Are "waters of the U.S." within Clean Water Act (CWA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 328) in the review area. [Required]
	1. Waters of the U.S. a. Indicate presence of waters of U.S. in review area (check all that apply): TNWs, including territorial seas Wetlands adjacent to TNWs Relatively permanent waters² (RPWs) that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs Non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs Wetlands directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs Impoundments of jurisdictional waters Isolated (interstate or intrastate) waters, including isolated wetlands
	 b. Identify (estimate) size of waters of the U.S. in the review area: Non-wetland waters: 4500 linear feet: 20 width (ft) and/or ~2 acres. Wetlands: 142.58 acres.
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Elevation of established OHWM (if known):Unknown.

2. Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):³

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

Explain:

¹ Boxes checked below shall be supported by completing the appropriate sections in Section III below.

² For purposes of this form, an RPW is defined as a tributary that is not a TNW and that typically flows year-round or has continuous flow at least "seasonally" (e.g., typically 3 months).

Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.

SECTION III: CWA ANALYSIS

A. TNWs AND WETLANDS ADJACENT TO TNWs

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over TNWs and wetlands adjacent to TNWs. If the aquatic resource is a TNW, complete Section III.A.1 and Section III.D.1. only; if the aquatic resource is a wetland adjacent to a TNW, complete Sections III.A.1 and 2 and Section III.D.1.; otherwise, see Section III.B below.

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Identify TNW:

Summarize rationale supporting determination:

2. Wetland adjacent to TNW

Summarize rationale supporting conclusion that wetland is "adjacent":

B. CHARACTERISTICS OF TRIBUTARY (THAT IS NOT A TNW) AND ITS ADJACENT WETLANDS (IF ANY):

This section summarizes information regarding characteristics of the tributary and its adjacent wetlands, if any, and it helps determine whether or not the standards for jurisdiction established under *Rapanos* have been met.

The agencies will assert jurisdiction over non-navigable tributaries of TNWs where the tributaries are "relatively permanent waters" (RPWs), i.e. tributaries that typically flow year-round or have continuous flow at least seasonally (e.g., typically 3 months). A wetland that directly abuts an RPW is also jurisdictional. If the aquatic resource is not a TNW, but has year-round (perennial) flow, skip to Section III.D.2. If the aquatic resource is a wetland directly abutting a tributary with perennial flow, skip to Section III.D.4.

A wetland that is adjacent to but that does not directly abut an RPW requires a significant nexus evaluation. Corps districts and EPA regions will include in the record any available information that documents the existence of a significant nexus between a relatively permanent tributary that is not perennial (and its adjacent wetlands if any) and a traditional navigable water, even though a significant nexus finding is not required as a matter of law.

If the waterbody⁴ is not an RPW, or a wetland directly abutting an RPW, a JD will require additional data to determine if the waterbody has a significant nexus with a TNW. If the tributary has adjacent wetlands, the significant nexus evaluation must consider the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands. This significant nexus evaluation that combines, for analytical purposes, the tributary and all of its adjacent wetlands is used whether the review area identified in the JD request is the tributary, or its adjacent wetlands, or both. If the JD covers a tributary with adjacent wetlands, complete Section III.B.1 for the tributary, Section III.B.2 for any onsite wetlands, and Section III.B.3 for all wetlands adjacent to that tributary, both onsite and offsite. The determination whether a significant nexus exists is determined in Section III.C below.

1. Characteristics of non-TNWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNW

(i) General Area Conditions:

Watershed size: 11186square miles

Drainage area: 600 acres

Average annual rainfall: 50 inches Average annual snowfall: <6 inches

(ii) Physical Characteristics:

(a) Relationship with TNW:

Tributary flows directly into TNW.

Tributary flows through 2 tributaries before entering TNW.

Project waters are **5-10** river miles from TNW.

Project waters are 1 (or less) river miles from RPW.

Project waters are 1-2 aerial (straight) miles from TNW.

Project waters are 1 (or less) aerial (straight) miles from RPW.

Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:

Identify flow route to TNW⁵: Flat Creek discharges into Ingram Slough, which discharges into the Willamette River at approximate River Mile 155.

⁴ Note that the Instructional Guidebook contains additional information regarding swales, ditches, washes, and erosional features generally and in the arid West.

⁵ Flow route can be described by identifying, e.g., tributary a, which flows through the review area, to flow into tributary b, which then flows into TNW.

Т	Γributary stream order, if known: 1 st Order .
1	General Tributary Characteristics (check all that apply): Tributary is:
areas.	
ר	Average width: 20 feet Average depth: 2-6 feet Average side slopes: 2:1.
F	Primary tributary substrate composition (check all that apply): Silts Sands Concrete Cobbles Gravel Muck Bedrock Vegetation. Type/% cover: Other. Explain:
F T	Tributary condition/stability [e.g., highly eroding, sloughing banks]. Explain: stable. Presence of run/riffle/pool complexes. Explain: none, the topography is relatively flat. Tributary geometry: Relatively straight Tributary gradient (approximate average slope): <2 %
	Flow: Tributary provides for: Seasonal flow Estimate average number of flow events in review area/year: 1 Describe flow regime: Flows are perennial. Greater discharge occurs during the winter/spring months in repsonse to
the rainy season	1.
	Other information on duration and volume: Flat Creek overtops its banks regularly during the rainy season. Summer particularly during August.
S	Surface flow is: Discrete and confined. Characteristics:
S	Subsurface flow: Unknown. Explain findings: . Dye (or other) test performed: none.
7	Tributary has (check all that apply):
I	If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction (check all that apply): High Tide Line indicated by: Oil or scum line along shore objects Fine shell or debris deposits (foreshore) Physical markings/characteristics Didal gauges Other (list): Mean High Water Mark indicated by: Survey to available datum; Physical markings; Vegetation lines/changes in vegetation types.
(iii) Chem	nical Characteristics:

⁶A natural or man-made discontinuity in the OHWM does not necessarily sever jurisdiction (e.g., where the stream temporarily flows underground, or where the OHWM has been removed by development or agricultural practices). Where there is a break in the OHWM that is unrelated to the waterbody's flow regime (e.g., flow over a rock outcrop or through a culvert), the agencies will look for indicators of flow above and below the break.

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Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.). Explain: Water is generally clear. Although Flat Creek is not listed on the 303(d) list the creek is expected to have seasonally elevated temperatures, and sediments and turbidity from agricultural erosion. Ther is also potential for chemical and nutrient loading from agricultural practices and heavy metals and petroleum product residue from untreated urban runoff.

Identify specific pollutants, if known: Discharges are expected to contain detectable levels of heavy metals, sedimetris, seasonal turbidity, agricultural chemicals and fertilizers.

(iv) Biological Characteristics. Channel supports (check all that apply):	
Riparian corridor. Characteristics (type, average width):	
Wetland fringe. Characteristics: The delineated wetland provides a substantial buffer around most of the stream reach	
within the project area. Approximately 143 acres of wetland were delineated on the 256 acre parcel.	
Habitat for:	
Federally Listed species. Explain findings: Segments of the creek support Oregon chub, based on surveys complete	d
by the ODFW	
☐ Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: Potentially Oregon chub. See above☐ Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: .	
☐ Other environmentarry-sensitive species. Explain findings: ☐ Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings: Other than Oregon chub, the stream is unlikely to support a diverse	
range of aquatic species or other wildlife as it continues to be used for agricultural monoculture crops, i.e. ryegrass. Seasonally the site like	بداد
serves as a corridor for wildlife, songbirds and transitional species to downstream waters	A y
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2. Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW	
(i) Physical Characteristics:	
(a) General Wetland Characteristics:	
Properties:	
Wetland size:143 acres	
Wetland type. Explain:Palustrine emergent.	
Wetland quality. Explain: The wetland likely supports aquatic invertebrates and transitional species during times of	
the year when the land lies fallow. Ryegrass monoculture cropping generally requires regular application of chemical herbicides and	
pesticides as well as rodenticides and fungicides to ensure the seed is viable and clean. Physically the wetland is expected to rank high	1
in water storage and delay, sediment stabilization and phosphorus removal, and floodwater attenuation because Flat Creek regularly	
overtops its banks	
Project wetlands cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain: .	
(b) General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW:	
Flow is: Perennial flow . Explain: Flat Creek is a perennial stream. Typical of Willamette Valley streams, the creek	
maintains higher duischarges in the rainy winter months with smaller discharges during the dry summer months.	
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Surface flow is: Overland sheetflow	
Characteristics: Wetland flows are toward the creek and are expected to provide baseflow to Flat Creek	
Subsurface flow: Yes. Explain findings: Generally, there is overland and subsurface unidirectional flow to the stream	
channel following the winter months, typical of Willamette Valley wet prairie ecosystems. The subsurface flows provide baseflow to	
the stream	
Dye (or other) test performed:	
(c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:	
Directly abutting	
☐ Not directly abutting	
Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain:	
Ecological connection. Explain:	
Separated by berm/barrier. Explain:	
(d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW	
Project wetlands are 5-10 river miles from TNW.	
Project waters are 1-2 aerial (straight) miles from TNW.	
Flow is from: Wetland to navigable waters.	
Estimate approximate location of wetland as within the 2 - 5-year floodplain.	

(ii) Chemical Characteristics:

Characterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain: Water color is expected to be relatively clear, however during agricultural fieldwork it is expected to be more turbid as farming can during dry periods cross the creek and does cross the wetlands..

Identify specific pollutants, if known: Ryegrass monoculture cropping generally requires regular applications of chemical herbicides and pesticides as well as rodenticides and fungicides to ensure the seed is viable and clean.

(iii) Bio	logical Characteristics.	Wetland supports (check	all that apply):	
\boxtimes	Riparian buffer. Charac	teristics (type, average wid	th):Consists primarily of monocultur	ral ryegrass.
\boxtimes	Vegetation type/percent	cover. Explain: Ryegrass	for seed production.	
\boxtimes	Habitat for:			
		cies. Explain findings:Som	e of the soils in the project area are l	known to support Willamette
daisy, Bradshaw's	lomatium. There is poter	tial for Kincaid's lupine and	d Fender's blue buttefly to utililze the	e site if it were not actively in
agriculture	-	_	•	•
_	Fish/spawn areas. Ex	xplain findings: .		
	Other environmenta	lly-sensitive species. Expla	in findings: .	
			e wetland provides connectivity to d	ownstream waters for wildlife
songbirds and tran			r water and seasonal food habitat.	
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3. Charac	teristics of all wetlands a	djacent to the tributary (i	f any)	
All	wetland(s) being conside	red in the cumulative analy	sis: 1	
Ap	proximately (143) acres	in total are being considered	d in the cumulative analysis.	
For	each wetland, specify the	e following:	•	
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	Directly abuts? (Y/N)	Size (in acres)	Directly abuts? (Y/N)	Size (in acres)
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Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed: The wetlands are expected to provide water storage and delay benefits, floodwater attenuation, sediment stabilization and phosphorus removal. Wetlands generally store phosphorus until saturation is reached and the stored phosphorus is released as a pulse into adjacent waterways. The wetland is expected to provide a seasonal corridor to maintain connectivity to downstream waters for wildlife, songbirds and transitional species. Because of the ryegrass monoculture, the site likely contains residues of chemicals such as herbicides, pesticides, fungicides and rodenticides.

C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION

A significant nexus analysis will assess the flow characteristics and functions of the tributary itself and the functions performed by any wetlands adjacent to the tributary to determine if they significantly affect the chemical, physical, and biological integrity of a TNW. For each of the following situations, a significant nexus exists if the tributary, in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, has more than a speculative or insubstantial effect on the chemical, physical and/or biological integrity of a TNW. Considerations when evaluating significant nexus include, but are not limited to the volume, duration, and frequency of the flow of water in the tributary and its proximity to a TNW, and the functions performed by the tributary and all its adjacent wetlands. It is not appropriate to determine significant nexus based solely on any specific threshold of distance (e.g. between a tributary and its adjacent wetland or between a tributary and the TNW). Similarly, the fact an adjacent wetland lies within or outside of a floodplain is not solely determinative of significant nexus.

Draw connections between the features documented and the effects on the TNW, as identified in the *Rapanos* Guidance and discussed in the Instructional Guidebook. Factors to consider include, for example:

- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to carry pollutants or flood waters to TNWs, or to reduce the amount of pollutants or flood waters reaching a TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), provide habitat and lifecycle support functions for fish and other species, such as feeding, nesting, spawning, or rearing young for species that are present in the TNW?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have the capacity to transfer nutrients and organic carbon that support downstream foodwebs?
- Does the tributary, in combination with its adjacent wetlands (if any), have other relationships to the physical, chemical, or biological integrity of the TNW?

Note: the above list of considerations is not inclusive and other functions observed or known to occur should be documented below:

- 1. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW that has no adjacent wetlands and flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary itself, then go to Section III.D:
- 2. Significant nexus findings for non-RPW and its adjacent wetlands, where the non-RPW flows directly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D:

Significant nexus findings for wetlands adjacent to an RPW but that do not directly abut the RPW. Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D: D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands. Check all that apply and provide size estimates in review area: TNWs: linear feet width (ft), Or, acres. Wetlands adjacent to TNWs: acres. RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs. Tributaries of TNWs where tributaries typically flow year-round are jurisdictional. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial: Flat Creek is a relatively permanent water that flows year round with the exception of drier summer months.. Tributaries of TNW where tributaries have continuous flow "seasonally" (e.g., typically three months each year) are jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.B. Provide rationale indicating that tributary flows Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply): Tributary waters: 13,500 linear feet 20 width (ft). Other non-wetland waters: Identify type(s) of waters: Non-RPWs⁸ that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs. Waterbody that is not a TNW or an RPW, but flows directly or indirectly into a TNW, and it has a significant nexus with a TNW is jurisdictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C. Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters within the review area (check all that apply): Tributary waters:

Other non-worlds linear feet width (ft). Other non-wetland waters: acres. Identify type(s) of waters: Wetlands directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs. Wetlands directly abut RPW and thus are jurisdictional as adjacent wetlands. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow year-round. Provide data and rationale indicating that tributary is perennial in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW: The wetland delineation submitted June 20, 2008 documents the existence and extent of the wetland based on the 1987 Delineation Manual.. Wetlands directly abutting an RPW where tributaries typically flow "seasonally." Provide data indicating that tributary is seasonal in Section III.B and rationale in Section III.D.2, above. Provide rationale indicating that wetland is directly abutting an RPW: Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: 143 acres. Wetlands adjacent to but not directly abutting an RPW that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs. Wetlands that do not directly abut an RPW, but when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisidictional. Data supporting this conclusion is provided at Section III.C. Provide acreage estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres. Wetlands adjacent to non-RPWs that flow directly or indirectly into TNWs. Wetlands adjacent to such waters, and have when considered in combination with the tributary to which they are adjacent and

with similarly situated adjacent wetlands, have a significant nexus with a TNW are jurisdictional. Data supporting this

conclusion is provided at Section III.C.

⁸See Footnote # 3.

	Provide estimates for jurisdictional wetlands in the review area: acres.
	7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters. As a general rule, the impoundment of a jurisdictional tributary remains jurisdictional. Demonstrate that impoundment was created from "waters of the U.S.," or Demonstrate that water meets the criteria for one of the categories presented above (1-6), or Demonstrate that water is isolated with a nexus to commerce (see E below).
Е.	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): 10 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): Tributary waters: linear feet width (ft). Other non-wetland waters: acres. Identify type(s) of waters: Wetlands: acres.
F.	NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY): If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements. Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce. Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in "SWANCC," the review area would have been regulated based solely on the "Migratory Bird Rule" (MBR). Waters do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction. Explain: Other: (explain, if not covered above):
	Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment (check all that apply): Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet width (ft). Lakes/ponds: acres. Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: Wetlands: acres.
	Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (check all that apply): Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams): linear feet, width (ft). Lakes/ponds: acres. Other non-wetland waters: acres. List type of aquatic resource: Wetlands: acres.
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<u>SE</u>	CCTION IV: DATA SOURCES.
A.	SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below): Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant. Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.

⁹ To complete the analysis refer to the key in Section III.D.6 of the Instructional Guidebook.

¹⁰ 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.

		Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
		Data sheets prepared by the Corps: .
	\leq	Corps navigable waters' study: .
	abla	U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas: .
		USGS NHD data.
		☐ USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.
	\leq	U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite scale & quad name:Junction City.
		USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: .
		National wetlands inventory map(s). Cite name: .
		State/Local wetland inventory map(s): .
		FEMA/FIRM maps: .
		100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)
		Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date):
		or Other (Name & Date):
		Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: .
		Applicable/supporting case law: .
		Applicable/supporting scientific literature: .
	\leq	Other information (please specify): July 29, 2002 Junction City Comprehensive Land Use Plan. http://www.ci.junction-
c	ity.	.or.us/Ord/comprehensive/chapter2.html.

B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: