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

REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): September 25, 2012

B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: Charleston District Northwest Branch, Midway Green Industrial Site, SAC 2011-64-5JC, Form 6 of 6.

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C.	PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: State: South Carolina County/parish/borough: Union City: Union Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 34.70770° N, Long. 81.66142° W. Universal Transverse Mercator: NAD83 Name of nearest waterbody: Unnamed tributary to Shoal Creek Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) into which the aquatic resource flows: N/A Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 03050107-04 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: September 25, 2012 ☐ Field Determination. Date(s): April 26, 2011
SEG 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 iew 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:
B.	CWA SECTION 404 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.
The	ere 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]
	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 waters ² (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: linear feet: width (ft) and/or acres. Wetlands: acres.
	c. Limits (boundaries) of jurisdiction based on: Pick List, Pick List, Pick List Elevation of established OHWM (if known):
	 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: Features 4 and 5 are linear features that lack a connection to downslope waters and TNWs. Each of these features exhibited only two of the physical characteristics normally associated with ordinary high water marks: scour

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).

³ Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.

and an absence of vegetation. Due to the absence of vegetation, each of these features does not meet the criteria for wetlands. During the site visit, Feature 4 was approximately 1 foot wide, 0.2 feet deep, and 500 feet in length. Feature 4 is not illustrated on the NRCS soil map, but a contour signature conducive to channel formation is indicated in the area of Feature 4 on the USGS topographic map. Feature 4 did not have surface water present during the site visit. Feature 5 was approximately 2 feet wide, 0.2 feet deep, 500 feet in length, and had surface water present in portions of the feature during the site visit. The water in portions of Feature 5 contained orange-brown gelatinous slime, insoluble ferric oxide, which is a product of iron-oxidizing bacteria and indicates a groundwater source. Feature 5 is illustrated as an intermittent channel on the NRCS soil map, and a contour signature conducive to channel formation is indicated in the area of Feature 5 on the USGS topographic map. Feature 4 has an approximate 10 acre drainage area, and Feature 5 has an approximate 15 acre drainage area. Each feature terminated at a point downslope where the gradient flattens. Feature 4 terminated approximately 300 feet upslope from Trib D (Form 1 of 6), and Feature 5 terminated approximately 150 feet upslope from Trib D. Manual soil borings did not indicate any shallow subsurface flow between each of the features and Trib D during the site visit. No hydrologic connections between Features 4 and 5 and downslope waters were observed during the site visit. Due to a lack of hydrologic connection (these features do not flow directly or indirectly into a TNW), these features are not tributaries and are not jurisdictional.

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.

1. TNW

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: Pick List;
Drainage area: Pick List
Average annual rainfall: inches
Average annual snowfall: inches

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

	Physical Characteristics:						
(a)	Relationship with TNW: ☐ Tributary flows directly into TNW. ☐ Tributary flows through Pick List tributaries before entering TNW.						
	Project waters are Pick List river miles from TNW. Project waters are Pick List river miles from RPW. Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from TNW. Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from RPW. Project waters cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:						
	Identify flow route to TNW ⁵ : Tributary stream order, if known:						
(b)	General Tributary Characteristics (check all that apply): Tributary is: Natural Artificial (man-made). Explain: Manipulated (man-altered). Explain:						
	Tributary properties with respect to top of bank (estimate): Average width: feet Average depth: feet Average side slopes: Pick List.						
	Primary tributary substrate composition (check all that apply): Silts Sands Concrete Cobbles Gravel Muck Bedrock Vegetation. Type/% cover: Other. Explain:						
	Tributary condition/stability [e.g., highly eroding, sloughing banks]. Explain: Presence of run/riffle/pool complexes. Explain: Tributary geometry: Pick List. Tributary gradient (approximate average slope): %						
(c)	Flow: Tributary provides for: Pick List Estimate average number of flow events in review area/year: Pick List Describe flow regime: Other information on duration and volume:						
	Surface flow is: Pick List. Characteristics: .						
	Subsurface flow: Pick List. Explain findings: Dye (or other) test performed:						
	Tributary has (check all that apply): Bed and banks OHWM ⁶ (check all indicators that apply): clear, natural line impressed on the bank changes in the character of soil destruction of terrestrial vegetation the presence of wrack line sediment sorting sediment sorting sediment deposition multiple observed or predicted flow events water staining abrupt change in plant community other (list): Discontinuous OHWM. ⁷ Explain:						

(ii)

If factors other than the OHWM were used to determine lateral extent of CWA jurisdiction (check all that apply):

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. 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. ⁷Ibid.

			High Tide Line indicated by: oil or scum line along shore objects fine shell or debris deposits (foreshore) physical markings/characteristics physical markings/characteristics tidal gauges other (list): Mean High Water Mark indicated by: physical markings by: physical markings; physical markings; vegetation lines/changes in vegetation types.
	(iii)	Cha	emical Characteristics: aracterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc. Explain: .tify specific pollutants, if known:
			logical Characteristics. Channel supports (check all that apply): Riparian corridor. Characteristics (type, average width): Wetland fringe. Characteristics: Habitat for: Federally Listed species. Explain findings: Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings:
2.	(i)	Phy	resistics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW vsical Characteristics: General Wetland Characteristics: Properties: Wetland size: acres Wetland type. Explain: Wetland quality. Explain: Project wetlands cross or serve as state boundaries. Explain:
		(b)	General Flow Relationship with Non-TNW: Flow is: Pick List. Explain: Surface flow is: Pick List Characteristics: Subsurface flow: Pick List. Explain findings: Dye (or other) test performed:
		(c)	Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW: ☐ Directly abutting ☐ Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain: ☐ Ecological connection. Explain: ☐ Separated by berm/barrier. Explain:
		(d)	Proximity (Relationship) to TNW Project wetlands are Pick List river miles from TNW. Project waters are Pick List aerial (straight) miles from TNW. Flow is from: Pick List. Estimate approximate location of wetland as within the Pick List floodplain.
	(ii)	Cha	emical Characteristics: aracterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain: ntify specific pollutants, if known:
	(iii)	Bio	logical Characteristics. Wetland supports (check all that apply): Riparian buffer. Characteristics (type, average width): Vegetation type/percent cover. Explain: Habitat for: Federally Listed species. Explain findings: Fish/spawn areas. Explain findings: Other environmentally-sensitive species. Explain findings: Aquatic/wildlife diversity. Explain findings:

	3.	All wetland(s) being considered in the cumulative analysis: Pick List Approximately () acres in total are being considered in the cumulative analysis.					
		For each wetland, specify the fol	-	D' 4 1 (0.770)	G' ('		
		Directly abuts? (Y/N) Summarize overall biologic	Size (in acres) al, chemical and phy	Directly abuts? (Y/N)	Size (in acres) med: .		
C.	SIG	NIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINAT	TION				
	by a of a wet Cor of wet trib outs	 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? 					
	Note: the above list of considerations is not inclusive and other functions observed or known to occur should be document below:				nown to occur should be documented		
	1.	Significant nexus findings for non-F findings of presence or absence of sig			lirectly or indirectly into TNWs. Explain , then go to Section III.D:		
	2.		or absence of signifi		RPW flows directly or indirectly into he tributary in combination with all of its		
	3.				y abut the RPW. Explain findings of with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to		
	4.	Documentation for the Record only RPWs:	: Significant nexus	findings for seasonal RPWs	s and/or wetlands abutting seasonal		

D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL

THAT APPLY):

2.	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:						
	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 seasonally:						
	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: .						
3.	Non-RPWs ⁸ 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: linear feet width (ft). Other non-wetland waters: acres. Identify type(s) of waters: .						
4.	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:						
	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: acres.						
5.	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.						
6.	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.						
	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). Explain:						
DE C	PLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, GRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY CH 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.						

E.

 ⁸See Footnote # 3.
 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.

	which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce. Interstate isolated waters. Explain: Other factors. Explain:					
I	entify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:					
P [rrovide 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.					
TNWs marks wetlan upslop	ION-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): Features 4 and 5 are linear features that lack a connection to downslope waters and seems and an absence of vegetation. Due to the absence of vegetation, each of these features does not meet the criteria for rids. Each feature terminated at a point downslope where the gradient flattens. Feature 4 terminated approximately 300 feet the from Trib D (Form 1 of 6), and Feature 5 terminated approximately 150 feet upslope from Trib D. Manual soil borings did directs approached the criteria for the features approximately stopped from Trib D. Manual soil borings did directs approached the criteria for the features approximately approximately 300 feet approximately supplements.					
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fa	rovide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the <u>sole</u> potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR actors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional					
ji L	adgment (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.					
	rovide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the "Significant Nexus" standard, where such 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.					
<u>SECT</u>	TON IV: DATA SOURCES.					
	PPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked					
	nd requested, appropriately reference sources below): Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: S&ME, Inc. Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant. Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.					
	U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas: 03050107-04.☐ USGS NHD data.					
	FEMA/FIRM maps: . 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodectic Vertical Datum of 1929)					
	 ✓ Photographs: ☐ Aerial (Name & Date): 11188:199, 1999 & 2006. or ☐ Other (Name & Date): Photographs taken during site visit April 26, 2011. ✓ Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter: 					

	Applicable/supporting case law: .				
	Applicable/supporting scientific literature:				
	Other information (please specify): South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control. 20				
Water Quality Assessment: Broad River Basin. Technical Report No.006-07. Bureau of Water, Columbia, South Carolina.					

B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD: This form documents the review of Features 4 and 5. Features 4 and 5 are linear features that lack a connection to downslope waters and TNWs. Each of these features exhibited only two of the physical characteristics normally associated with ordinary high water marks: scour and an absence of vegetation. Due to the absence of vegetation, each of these features does not meet the criteria for wetlands. Each feature terminated at a point downslope where the gradient flattens. Feature 4 terminated approximately 300 feet upslope from Trib D (Form 1 of 6), and Feature 5 terminated approximately 150 feet upslope from Trib D. Manual soil borings did not indicate any shallow subsurface flow between each of the features and Trib D during the site visit. No hydrologic connections between Features 4 and 5 and downslope waters were observed during the site visit. Due to a lack of hydrologic connection (these features do not flow directly or indirectly into a TNW), these features are not tributaries and are not jurisdictional.