

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

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May 23, 2012

Regulatory Division

Mr. Kevin Farmer S&ME, Inc. 301 Zima Park Drive Spartanburg, South Carolina 29301

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SUBJECT: SAC 2011-1111-6NO, Laurens County

Dear Mr. Farmer:

This is in response to your letter of September 20, 2011, requesting a Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (Preliminary), on behalf of Marvin Moss, for a 225.6 acre tract, located at the northwest corner of the junction of North Old Laurens Road and Dogwood Road, Laurens County, South Carolina. The project area is depicted on the enclosed sketch or plat entitled "Jurisdictional Features Location Map" and dated December 19, 2011. A preliminary jurisdictional determination is used to indicate that this office has identified wetlands or other waters on the property and believes these waters may be jurisdictional waters of the United States. Since the Preliminary does not verify the actual jurisdictional status of wetlands and/or waters of the United States on the property, it relies on the presumption of jurisdiction for the purpose of expediting the request for a Preliminary.

Based on an on-site inspection, a review of aerial photography, topographic maps, National Wetland Inventory maps and soil survey information, it has been concluded that the boundaries shown on the referenced sketch or plat are a reasonable approximation of the location and boundaries of the waters found on this site. The property in question contains approximately 0.26 acre of federally defined freshwater wetlands and 3962.0 linear feet of jurisdictional stream. You are cautioned that this delineation is approximate, subject to change, and should be used for planning purposes only. This office should be contacted prior to performing any work in or around these wetlands or other waters. In order for a definitive determination to be provided, these areas should be located and marked on-site, sketched or surveyed, platted on a map, and should be accompanied by a request for an Approved Jurisdictional Determination. Upon receipt of such a request, this office can then issue an approved determination as to jurisdiction (rather than the presumption of jurisdiction). You should also be aware that the areas identified as wetlands or other waters may be subject to restrictions or requirements of other state or local government entities.

Please note that since this jurisdictional determination is a Preliminary, it is subject to change and therefore is not an appealable action under the Corps of Engineers administrative appeal procedures defined at 33 CFR 331. If a permit application is forthcoming as a result of this Preliminary, a copy of this letter, as well as the attached sketch or plat should be submitted as part of the application. Otherwise, a delay could occur in confirming that a preliminary jurisdictional determination was performed for the permit project area.

This preliminary jurisdictional determination is a non-binding action and as such has no expiration until it is superseded by an Approved Jurisdictional Determination. If you intend to request an Approved Jurisdictional Determination in the future, you are advised not to commence work in these wetlands and/or waters prior to receiving the Approved Jurisdictional Determination.

In future correspondence concerning this matter, please refer to SAC 2011-1111-6JO. You may still need state or local assent. Prior to performing any work, you should contact the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, Bureau of Water Pollution Control. A copy of this letter is being forwarded to them for their information.

Enclosed are two copies of the Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination Form signed by our office. Please sign both copies, retain one copy for your records and return one signed copy to this office in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Chip Ridgeway at 803-253-3906.

Respectfully,

Brice McKoy

Chief, Northwest Branch

Enclosures:
Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination Form
Customer Service Survey
Self-addressed envelope

ATTACHMENT

PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION FORM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): May 16, 2012
- B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON REQUESTING PRELIMINARY JD: **Marvin Moss** P.O. Box 427 Laurens, South Carolina 29360
- C. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: Charleston District, Northwest Branch, Power South, SAC-2011-1111-6JO
- D. PROJECT LOCATION(S) AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: (USE THE ATTACHED TABLE TO DOCUMENT MULTIPLE WATERBODIES AT DIFFERENT SITES)

State:SC County/parish/borough: Lexington City: Lexington Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): Lat. 34.636571° N. Long. -82.153953° W.

Universal Transverse Mercator:

Name of nearest waterbody: North Rabon Creek

Identify (estimate) amount of waters in the review area:

Non-wetland waters:

linear feet:

width (ft) and/or

acres.

Cowardin Class:

Stream Flow:

Wetlands:

acres.

Cowardin Class:

Name of any water bodies on the site that have been identified as Section 10 waters:

Tidal:

Non-Tidal:

- REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT E. APPLY):
 - Office (Desk) Determination. Date: May 16, 2012
 - Field Determination. Date(s): December 13, 2011

- 1. The Corps of Engineers believes that there may be jurisdictional waters of the United States on the subject site, and the permit applicant or other affected party who requested this preliminary JD is hereby advised of his or her option to request and obtain an approved jurisdictional determination (JD) for that site. Nevertheless, the permit applicant or other person who requested this preliminary JD has declined to exercise the option to obtain an approved JD in this instance and at this time.
- 2. In any circumstance where a permit applicant obtains an individual permit, or a Nationwide General Permit (NWP) or other general permit verification requiring "pre-construction notification" (PCN), or requests verification for a non-reporting NWP or other general permit, and the permit applicant has not requested an approved JD for the activity, the permit applicant is hereby made aware of the following: (1) the permit applicant has elected to seek a permit authorization based on a preliminary JD, which does not make an official determination of jurisdictional waters; (2) that the applicant has the option to request an approved JD before accepting the terms and conditions of the permit authorization, and that basing a permit authorization on an approved JD could possibly result in less compensatory mitigation being required or different special conditions; (3) that the applicant has the right to request an individual permit rather than accepting the terms and conditions of the NWP or other general permit authorization; (4) that the applicant can accept a permit authorization and thereby agree to comply with all the terms and conditions of that permit, including whatever mitigation requirements the Corps has determined to be necessary; (5) that undertaking any activity in reliance upon the subject permit authorization without requesting an approved JD constitutes the applicant's acceptance of the use of the preliminary JD, but that either form of JD will be processed as soon as is practicable; (6) accepting a permit authorization (e.g., signing a proffered individual permit) or undertaking any activity in reliance on any form of Corps permit authorization based on a preliminary JD constitutes agreement that all wetlands and other water bodies on the site affected in any way by that activity are jurisdictional waters of the United States, and precludes any challenge to such jurisdiction in any administrative or judicial compliance or enforcement action, or in any administrative appeal or in any Federal court; and (7) whether the applicant elects to use either an approved JD or a preliminary JD, that JD will be processed as soon as is practicable. Further, an approved JD, a proffered individual permit (and all terms and conditions contained therein), or individual permit denial can be administratively appealed pursuant to 33 C.F.R. Part 331, and that in any administrative appeal, jurisdictional issues can be raised (see 33 C.F.R. 331.5(a)(2)). If, during that administrative appeal, it becomes necessary to make an official determination whether CWA jurisdiction exists over a site, or to provide an official delineation of jurisdictional waters on the site, the Corps will provide an approved JD to accomplish that result, as soon as is practicable. This preliminary JD finds that there "may be" waters of the United States on the subject project site, and identifies all aquatic features on the site that could be affected by the proposed activity, based on the following information:

SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for p - checked items should be included in case	reliminary JD (check all that apply se file and, where checked and
requested, appropriately reference source	es below):
Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by	y or on behalf of the
applicant/consultant: Kevin Farmer.	an hahalf of the
Data sheets prepared/submitted by or applicant/consultant.	on behall of the
☐ Office concurs with data sheets/de	lineation report.
Office does not concur with data sh	
Data sheets prepared by the Corps: .	
Corps navigable waters' study:	
☑ U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atl	as: .
USGS NHD data.	
☐ USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps.	
☑ U.S. Geological Survey map(s). Cite s☑ USDA Natural Resources Conservation	
National wetlands inventory map(s).	
☐ State/Local wetland inventory map(s):	
FEMA/FIRM maps: .	
☐ 100-year Floodplain Elevation is:	(National Geodectic Vertical Datum
of 1929)	
	9):99:11195:105.
or 🗌 Other (Name & Date):	
Previous determination(s). File no. ar	nd date of response letter:
Other information (please specify):	
IMPORTANT NOTE: The information reco	rded on this form has not
necessarily been verified by the Corps an	
ater jurisdictional determinations.	
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Signature and date of	Signature and date of
Regulatory Project Manager (REQUIRED)	person requesting preliminary JD (REQUIRED, unless obtaining
	the signature is impracticable)

Site number	Latitude	Longitude	Cowardin Class	Estimated amount of aquatic resource in review area	Class of aquation resource
Stream 1	34.63657	-82.15394	Riverine Perennial	1994.0 linear feet	RPW
Stream 2	34.63656	-82.15393	Riverine- seasonal	245.0 linear feet	RPW-seasonal
Stream 3	34.63655	-82.15392	Riverine- Seasonal	245.0 linear feet	RPW-seasonal
Stream 4	34.63654	-82.15391	Riverine- seasonal	75.0 linear feet	RPW-seasonal
Stream 5	34.63653	-82.15390	Riverine- seasonal	509.0 linear feet	RPW-seasonal
Stream 6	34.63652	-82.15389	Riverine- Perennial	894.0 linear feet	RPW-Perennial
Wetland 1	34.63651	-82.15388	Palustrine	0.03 acre	Non-Section 10 Wetland
Wetland 2	34.63650	-82.15387	Palustrine	0.02 acre	Non-Section 10 Wetland
Wetland 3	34.63649	-82.15386	Palustrine	0.21 acre	Non-Section 10 Wetland