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U. S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, BALTIMORE DISTRICT
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Operations Division



Dear Applicant:

This is in response to your request, dated October 4, 2023, sent on behalf of ECA Solar, requesting an approved jurisdictional determination (AJD) and verification of the delineation of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands, on a 17.6-acre property south of Woodson School Road and west of Calvary Road in the Crisfield area of Somerset County, Maryland. Your project has been assigned the file name, NAB-2023-00377-M51 (Woodson School Road Property AJD).

The Corps reviewed your Wetland Report dated October 17, 2022, (revised October 4, 2023) prepared by Geo-Technology Associates and conducted a field inspection on June 21, 2023. Based on the review of the information submitted as part of the AJD request and the site inspection, the Corps has determined that the plans prepared by your office, entitled "Wetland Delineation Plan: Woodson School Road Property," dated October 17, 2022, and revised October 4, 2023 (Enclosure 1) accurately depicts waterbodies and wetlands within the area of review. The Corps determined that Waterbody A, it carries a relatively permanent flow of water to a traditionally navigable waterway, and that Wetlands 1 and 2 are directly adjacent to Waterbody A. The Corps also determined that Waterbody B and Wetlands 3 and 4 are isolated, non-navigable, and do not have a continuous surface connection to WOTUS. As a result, the Corps identified Waterbody A and Wetlands 1 and 2 as subject to Corps regulatory jurisdiction, all pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. (Enclosure 2) summarizes the jurisdictional status of all waters within the area of review.

This letter contains an approved JD for your subject site. This approved JD is valid for five (5) years from the date of this letter unless new information warrants revision of the determination before the expiration date, or a District Engineer has identified, after public notice and comment, that specific geographic areas with rapidly changing environmental conditions merit re-verification on a more frequent basis. If you object to this determination, you may request an administrative appeal under Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331. Enclosed you will find a Notification of Appeal Process fact sheet and Request for Appeal (RFA) form (Enclosure 3). If you request to appeal this determination you must submit a completed RFA form by mail to:



In order for an RFA to be accepted by the Corps, the Corps must determine that it is complete, that it meets the criteria for appeal under 33 CFR part 331.5, and that it has been received by the Division Office within 60 days of the date of the Notification of Appeal Process. Should you decide to submit an RFA form, it must be received at the above address by February 25, 2024. It is not necessary to submit an RFA form to the Division office if you do not object to the determination in this letter.

Please be advised that various development activities, within waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands may be regulated by the Corps. Wetlands and other waters under the jurisdiction of the Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) may also be located on the parcel. You may contact the MDE at (410) 537-3768 for information regarding jurisdiction and permitting requirements.

You are reminded that any grading or filling of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands, is subject to Department of the Army authorization. State and local authorizations may also be required to conduct activities in these locations. In addition, the Interstate Land Sales Full Disclosure Act may require that prospective buyers be made aware, by the seller, of the federal authority over any waters of the United States, including wetlands, being purchased.

In future correspondence and permit applications regarding this parcel, please include the file number located in the first paragraph of this letter.

A copy of this letter is being furnished to Division) for informational purposes.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at or via email at Sincerely,



Enclosures

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