

Michael Hurst 23000 Sussex Highway Seaford, DE 19973

Subject: Request for a Formal Waiver (FW) Tax ID Number: 531-15.00-30.28 Location. Lonesome Road, Sussex County, Delaware

To:

The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) through the Division of Water and the Groundwater Discharges Section

I, Michael Hurst, do hereby request a Formal Waiver (FW) under the Section 5.6.2 of the Regulations Governing the Design, Installation and Operation of On-site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems (DNREC, January 11, 2014).

The above property had been and approved for a Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment under a Formal Variance in 2006. I purchased the property believing the Site Evaluation was approved. The system was never installed and the records from the DNREC Approved Formal Variance have been expunged. A New Site Evaluation was conducted by Delmarva Environmental including Groundwater Level Monitoring and Test Pits to evaluate depth of Sand-lining. A Wetland Delineation has been performed and verified by the Army Corp of Engineers. I request that a Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment be permitted for this property based on the Site Evaluation work conducted by Ian Kaufman, CPSS/SC of Delmarva Environmental, Inc. This is for new construction and the current Regulations do not allow sand-lining into the water table and design limiting zones of 0 inches. This letter asks for these requirements to be waived for this property.

Thank you for considering this request.

Michael Hurst

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<u>5-21-2024</u> Date

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> Attachments: Sussex County Mapping & Contiguous Property Owners' Contact Information Parcel 531-15.00-30.16 John Zittinger Parcel 531-15.00-30.26 Maureen Mahaffy Parcel 51-15.00-30.27 Thomas Edward Baker Site Evaluation Approval-Formal Waiver Site Evaluation Report-Formal Waiver Drawing Soil Profile Notes Test Pit 1 Test Pit 2 Groundwater Level Monitoring **DNREC NavMap** Web Soil Survey **County Mapping** County Mapping with Aerial Notice of Denial November 13, 2006 (4 pages) Approved Formal Variance March 26, 2008 (8 pages) Property Information Page for Michael Hurst 531-15.00-30.28

Wetland Jurisdictional Determination Request dated October 26, 2021 JD Application Wetland Delineation Report October 12, 2021

Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination dated January 28, 2022

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required to obtain a septic permit. A septic permit is required to obtain a building or placement permit. Isolation requirements from wells, easements, ditches, and other encumbrances may limit the area that is available for a septic permit. It is the responsibility of the designer to verify the information provided by this approval prior to obtaining a septic permit. The information provided here is obtained primarily by field observations and is believed to be accurate under the conditions that existed at the time of the evaluation. Compaction of soils from lot clearing, grading activities, and filling activities may negate this approval or modify the type of system that can be permitted and installed. Lots that are wooded at the time the evaluation are to be inspected prior to septic system installation at the discretion of the Installer. **Owner's Name:** Michael Hurst **Parcel Number**: **531-15.00-30.28**

Owner's Name: Owner's Address: Michael Hurst 23000 Sussex Highway Seaford, DE 19973

Job Number: 2

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<u>Initial Disposal System and Location</u>: Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment meeting PSN3 Nitrogen Removing Standards. Sand-lining is to be to a minimum depth of 84 inches to be approximately 1-foot into good permeable material. The location is in the vicinity of Test Pits 1 and 2 provided that setback requirements under DNREC Exhibit C are met.

Depth to Limiting Zone: 0 inches for design purposes based on observed redoximorphic features and groundwater levels.

Design Considerations and Comments:

1. See Site Evaluation Report and Drawing.

2. See Exhibit Q in the Delaware Regulations, amended January 11, 2014 (2014 Regulations) for criteria on Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound systems. Contact DNREC or Class-C designer for current criteria on Advanced Pre-treatment meeting PSN3 Standards.

3. See Exhibit C Minimum Isolation Distances in the 2014 Regulations. All isolation distances specified in Exhibit C must be maintained e.g., 100-foot isolation distance between system and domestic water supply wells.

4. The wastewater disposal area should be clearly marked e.g., by surrounding it with construction fence and the area should be avoided as much as is feasible during construction to avoid disturbance/soil compaction. The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has formulated guidance for clearing/soil compaction avoidance; contact DNREC at 302-739-9947 for guidance.

Replacement Disposal System and Location: Same as initial system if space permits or sand-lined upgrade.

Limitations of Soil Evaluation for System Design/Emplacement: The soil evaluation was performed to evaluate soil conditions with respect to a wastewater disposal system for a single family residence. For alternative uses contact the site evaluator or DNREC to determine whether additional site evaluation services are necessary.

Instructions to Property Owner

PAID \$ <u>75.00</u> 06/05/2024

1. Contact a Class C Designer.

2. A permeability rate of **75 minutes per inch after sand-lining** has been estimated for the soil on your site based on soil textures and tables published by DNREC. You may use the estimated rate or, at your expense, have a percolation test conducted by a Class A Percolation Tester. Contact Delmarva Environmental, Inc. and DNREC if you choose to conduct a percolation test.

3. For questions call Delmarva Environmental, Inc. at (302) 732-9858 or DNREC at (302) 739-9947

This report has been prepared by:

Ian R. Kaufman, Certified Professional Soil Scientist

Delaware License Number 2175 Delmarva Environmental, Inc. has conducted this site evaluation in accordance with DNREC Regulations and Policies with the best of its ability and with the information provided by the owner and under the conditions that existed at the time of the evaluation. Delmarva Environmental, Inc. is only liable for this evaluation to the extent of the cost of this evaluation.

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Awaiting Formal Waiver Advertisement Results and DNREC Director Decision.

DNREC Reviewing Soil Scientist-Approving Authority Date Date Field Checked Expiration Date <u>DNREC Disclaimer</u>: Approval of a site evaluation indicates only that the site evaluation, based on information presented to us, was conducted in compliance with these Regulations. It is not an indication of the correctness or quality of the site evaluation and does not guarantee the evaluation is free of omissions or that a permit can be issued.



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Site Evaluation Report-Formal Waiver

<u>Owner's Name:</u> Owner's Address	Michael Hurst 23000 Sussex Higbway	Parcel Number:	531-15.00-30.28
<u>owner o Address</u>	Seaford, DE 19973	Job Number:	23002
Property Location:	Lonesome Road Seaford, DE 19973 (Approximately 0.994 Acres)	Evaluation Date:	January 6, 2024 to May 16, 2024
DNREC Environmenta	al Navigator Information:		

Watershed: Butler Mill Branch-Nanticoke River 020801090405 Potential Floodplain: None Potential Wetlands: Yes, Delineated Potential Tax Ditch Right of Ways: None

Depth to and Type of Limiting Zones Encountered:

Test Pit 1: ~3 inches to redoximorphic features, ~72 inches to permeable material,

~103 inches to free water in Test Pit (5/16/24),

GLM Well #3: Average Peak from 3/29/24 to 4/11/24=17.35 inches below ground surface. Aquic Paleudult

Test Pit 2: ~10 inches to redoximorphic features, ~72 inches to permeable material,

~105 inches to free water in Test Pit (5/16/24),

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GLM Well #2: Average Peak from 3/29/24 to 4/11/24=8.0 inches below ground surface.

GLM Well #4 (13 inches deep): Average Peak from 3/29/24 to 4/11/24=7.5 inches below ground surface.

<u>Summary of Evaluation</u>: This evaluation was conducted to determine the type of on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system (OWTDS) that is suited for this property under current DNREC Regulations and policies. Soils in the evaluated area are appear to be somewhat poorly to poorly drained based on the depth to redoximorphic features used to estimate the depth of the seasonal high water table. This site was previously evaluated and denied based on a November 13, 2006 "Notice of Denial" letter from DNREC. On March 26, 2008 DNREC Approved a Formal Variance with the stipulations that the system be a Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment for a single family dwelling of no more than 480 gallons per day. Groundwater Level Observation Wells were installed in December 2006 and monitored for an unknown amount of time. The depth of the Observation Wells appears to be to 60 inches with a fourth well added to a depth of approximately 13 inches. Percolation Tests were conducted on August 11, 2007 and rates at 24 inches were found to be 60 minutes per inch at Test A and >480 minutes per inch at Test B and C. No septic permit was ever applied for and the previous work Approved by DNREC has been expunged from the files. In an October 2021 survey from Miller-Lewis Land Surveyors the location of the Groundwater Level Monitoring Wells and the extent of Non-tidal Wetlands is shown. A Review of the Wetland Location was conducted by the Army Corps of Engineers and verified base on a letter dated January 28, 2022.

This Site Evaluation was conducted to apply for a Formal Waiver. The owner wishes to build a single family dwelling on the property and this evaluation was conducted with Test Pits to determine the depth for Sand-lining as part of a Formal Waiver Request for a Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment. Based on Test Pits 1 and 2 Sand-lining to below 72 inches will be below the slowly permeable material identified as being unsuited for a septic system. Groundwater levels were monitored in the existing Observation Wells from January 12, 2024 to May 16, 2024.

The Web Soil Survey (NRCS, 2024) indicates that the evaluated portion of the site is potentially underlain by somewhat well drained Rosedale loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes (RoA) and poorly drained Hurlock sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes (HvA). It is Delmarva Environmental's opinion that soils in the immediate vicinity of Test Pit 1 and Test Pit 2 do not correlate to the above soil mapping units. Soils appear to be Poorly Drained Lenni or Othello Soils. These soils have heavy clay loam textures coming in around 16 to 20 inches below the surface and having a slowly permeable clay loams to a depth of approximately 72 inches. Below ~72 soils are sandy and coarse loamy to at least 108 inches below ground surface (the limit of observation).



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Site Evaluation Report-Formal Waiver Hurst: 531-15.00-30.28 Page 2 of 2

The soils have severe limitations for an OWTDS. Based on Test Pits, Ground Water Level Monitoring, Percolation Tests, and Wetland Delineation, a Sand-lined Elevated Sand Mound with Advanced Pre-treatment is recommended in the vicinity of Test Pit 1 and 2. Sand-lining is to be to 84 inches below existing grade to be approximately 1-foot below the bottom depth of the clay loam material. The current DNREC Regulation do not allow for the sand-lining of septic systems into the water table for new construction and the limiting zone at the surface of the soils in this immediate area is impacted by slowly permeable material. An Approved Formal Waiver would be required for this option under current DNREC Regulation and is at the discretion of DNREC. Suitabilities for any system is provided that setback requirements under DNREC Exhibit C can the met. Field estimated permeabilities after sand-lining, based on sandy clay loam subsoil textures and DNREC Exhibit Y, are moderate. A design rate of 75 minutes per inch is recommended based on sand-lining to be below slowly permeable materials.

lan Kaufman

License Number: 2175

NOTE: This Site Evaluation Report is a summary of the investigation conducted by Delmarva Environmental, Inc. This report is not a Site Evaluation Approval which typically, but not always, comes with this report. A Site Evaluation Approval, signed by DNREC is required to obtain a septic permit.



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SOIL PROFILE NOTES

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Wetland mapping is supported with funding provided by the Environmental Protection Agency. Delaware Geological Survey U.S. Geological Survey

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PARID: 531-15.00-30.16 ZITTINGER JOHN C & BRUCEIA C

Property Information

Property Location:	26535 LONESOME RD
Unit:	
City:	SEAFORD
State:	DE
Zip:	19973
Class:	RES-Residential
Use Code (LUC):	RS-RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY
Town	00-None
Tax District:	531 – SEAFORD
School District:	3 - SEAFORD
Fire District:	87-Seaford
Deeded Acres:	1.9600
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100% Total Value	\$27,600
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Owners	

Owner	Co-owner	Address	City	State	Zip
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Property Information

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26503 LONESOME RD

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City:	SEAFORD					
State:	DE					
Zip:	19973					
Class:	RES-Residential					
Use Code (LUC):	RV-RESIDENTIAL VACANT					
Town	00-None					
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Owner	Co-owner	Address	City	State	Zip
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STATE OF DELAWARE DEFARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES 20653 Dupont Blvd. Unit 5 Georgetown, DE 19947

> CERTIFIED MAIL 7005 1820 0002 5795 5068

NOTICE OF DENIAL

November 13, 2006

Arch Street Associates, L.L.C. 141-A Silver Lake Drive Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Tax Map No.: 5-31-15.00-30.28

Dear Arch Street Associates, L.L.C.:

The soils on the referenced parcel were evaluated on July 15, 2006, by a private soil scientist. Based on information prepared by the private soil scientist and presented to the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC), it is apparent that the evaluated parcel has severe limitations for on-site wastewater treatment and disposal due to the presence of poorly drained soils. This decision is due to the presence of soil indicators directly below the A horizon suggesting prolonged periods of saturation at or near the soil surface. Accordingly, the requirements of Section 6.06000 <u>Conventional On-Site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems Criteria of the Regulations Governine the Design, Installation, and Operation of On-Site Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems, cannot be met. In addition, the requirements of Section 5.10000 <u>Alternative Wastewater Treatment and Disposal Systems</u> are not applicable to your parcel at this time.</u>

Options you may consider

Ground water observation wells accurately show the depth to the seasonal high water table provided precipitation levels and other environmental factors are considered "normal" for the year. Refer to Section 5.01200 <u>Observation Wells/Piezometer</u> for specific details and information. The season for the installation and reading of observation wells is from December

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1st through May 15th annually. If you disagree with the findings of the evaluation and wish to install observation wells, contact J. Scott Kline at (302) 856-4561 for information.

I encourage you to contact our office at (302) 856-4561 concerning your site evaluation. If you are dissatisfied with the findings of the evaluation, you may appeal to the Environmental Appeals Board within 20 days after the receipt of this letter. The board may affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the Secretary. Should you wish to pursue this appeal, contact Gale Donovan at (302) administ 7<u>39-9909</u>. Aggista

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STATE OF DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL 89 Kings Highway Dover, Delaware 19901

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

PHONE: (302) 739-9000 FAX: (302) 739-6242

March 26, 2008

Mr. Ronald Moore Arch Street Associates 141-A Silver Lake Drive Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

RE: Formal Variance Tax Map # 5-31-15-30.28

Dear Mr. Moore:

The Department has reviewed and advertised your request for a Formal Variance on the above-mentioned parcel. The advertisement period expired as of close of business February 18, 2008. The Department has received no objections.

The Department has therefore **approved** your request to allow an on-site wastewater treatment and disposal system to be installed on soils that do not meet either the limiting zone or permeability requirements, of the current regulations, provided that the following conditions are followed:

1) The system will serve a single family dwelling and will have a design flow

- rate not exceeding 480 gallons per day.
- 2) The system required will be a sand lined elevated sand mound with pretreatment. A Class D Soil Scientist will be required to excavate test pits to determine the feasibility and/or extent of sand lining.
- The system must be placed in the best possible landscape position as determined by a Class D Soil Scientist.

Additionally, a permanent holding tank may be considered for this property.

Delaware's Good Nature depends on you!

Mr. Ronald Moore March 26, 2008 Page 2

A copy of your approved site evaluation is enclosed. Should you have any questions please feel free to contact Jim Cassidy of the Ground Water Discharges Section at (302) 856-4561.

Sincerely, N John A. Hughes

Secretary

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SOIL PROFILE NOTES

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Owner	Co-owner	Address	City	State	Zip
HURST MICHAEL	DORIS SARAGINO	23000 SUSSEX HWY	SEAFORD	DE	19973

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PHILADELPHIA DISTRICT 100 PENN SQUARE EAST PHILADELPHIA PENNSYLVANIA 19107-3390

January 28, 2022

Regulatory Branch

SUBJECT: Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination NAP-2021-01031-85 Lonesome Road SX Center coordinates (38.622039°, -75.665075°)

Michael Hurst 14 East High Street Searford, Delaware 19973

Dear Mr. Hurst:

This Preliminary Jurisdictional Determination (PJD) is provided in response to your request on January 3, 2022 for concurrence from this office of the delineation of aquatic resources. The site associated with your request is located at 26503 Lonesome Road, Tax Map Parcel Number 531-15.00-30.28 in Seaford, Sussex County, Delaware.

The findings of this PJD are documented in the **enclosed** PJD Form. The locations of aquatic resources are depicted on the **enclosed** plan(s) identified as BOUNDARY SURVEY PLAN FOR MICHAEL HURST & DORIS SARAGINO LONSEOME ROAD, SEAFORD, DE. 19973 SEAFORD HUNDRED SUSSEX COUNTY STATE OF DELAWARE, prepared by Miller Lewis, Incorporated, dated October 7, 2021, 1 sheet.

This PJD is non-binding and indicates that there <u>may</u> be jurisdictional aquatic resources on the subject site. PJDs are advisory in nature and may not be appealed. The applicant retains the right to request an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) which would make a determination of federal jurisdiction and may be appealed. Please be aware that for purposes of computation of impacts, compensatory mitigation requirements and other resource protection measures, a permit decision made on the basis of a PJD will treat all waters and wetlands that would be impacted by the permitted activity as if they are subject to federal jurisdiction.

The delineation, included herein, has been conducted to identify the location and extent of the aquatic resource boundaries for the particular site identified in this request. This delineation may not be valid for the Wetland Conservation Provisions of the Food Security Act of 1985, as amended. If you or your tenant are USDA program participants, or anticipate participation in USDA programs, you should discuss the applicability of a certified wetland determination with the local USDA service center, prior to starting work.

This PJD is valid for a period of five (5) years. This PJD is issued in accordance with current Federal guidance and is based upon the existing site conditions and information

provided by you in your request. This office reserves the right to reevaluate and modify the PJD at any time should existing site conditions change, or should the information provided by you prove to be false, incomplete or inaccurate.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Michael D. Yost at (267) 240-5278 or michael.d.yost@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Todd A. Hoernemann Chief, Application Section I

Enclosures

CC:

Michael Klebasko, Wetland Studies and Solutions, Incorporated Wetlands and Subaqueous Lands Section, DDNREC

Appendix 2 - PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (PJD) FORM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR PJD: January 18, 2022

B. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON REQUESTING PJD: Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc.

C. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER: CENAP-OPR-2021-01031-85 Lonesome Road SX

D. PROJECT LOCATION(S) AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION: (USE THE TABLE BELOW TO DOCUMENT MULTIPLE AQUATIC RESOURCES AND/OR AQUATIC RESOURCES AT DIFFERENT SITES)

State: Delaware County/parish/borough: Sussex City: Seaford

Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format):

Lat.: 38.622039°N Long.: 75.665075°W

Universal Transverse Mercator:

Name of nearest waterbody: Nanticoke River

E. REVIEW PERFORMED FOR SITE EVALUATION (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

✓ Office (Desk) Determination. Date: January 18, 2022

Field Determination. Date(s): December 20, 2021

TABLE OF AQUATIC RESOURCES IN REVIEW AREA WHICH "MAY BE" SUBJECT TO REGULATORY JURISDICTION.

Site number	Latitude (decimal degrees)	Longitude (decimal degrees)	Estimated amount of aquatic resource in review area (acreage and linear feet, if applicable)	Type of aquatic resource (i.e., wetland vs. non-wetland waters)	Geographic authority to which the aquatic resource "may be" subject (i.e., Section 404 or Section 10/404)
1	38°37'19"N	75°39'54"W	+/-0.994 acres	Wetland	Section 404

- The Corps of Engineers believes that there may be jurisdictional aquatic resources in the review area, and the requestor of this PJD is hereby advised of his or her option to request and obtain an approved JD (AJD) for that review area based on an informed decision after having discussed the various types of JDs and their characteristics and circumstances when they may be appropriate.
- 2) In any circumstance where a permit applicant obtains an individual permit, or a Nationwide General Permit (NWP) or other general permit verification requiring "preconstruction notification" (PCN), or requests verification for a non-reporting NWP or other general permit, and the permit applicant has not requested an AJD for the activity, the permit applicant is hereby made aware that: (1) the permit applicant has elected to seek a permit authorization based on a PJD, which does not make an official determination of jurisdictional aquatic resources; (2) the applicant has the option to request an AJD before accepting the terms and conditions of the permit authorization, and that basing a permit authorization on an AJD could possibly result in less compensatory mitigation being required or different special conditions; (3) 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) 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) undertaking any activity in reliance upon the subject permit authorization without requesting an AJD constitutes the applicant's acceptance of the use of the PJD; (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 PJD constitutes agreement that all aquatic resources in the review area affected in any way by that activity will be treated as jurisdictional, and waives 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 AJD or a PJD, the JD will be processed as soon as practicable. Further, an AJD, 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. If, during an administrative appeal, it becomes appropriate to make an official determination whether geographic jurisdiction exists over aquatic resources in the review area, or to provide an official delineation of jurisdictional aquatic resources in the review area, the Corps will provide an AJD to accomplish that result, as soon as is practicable. This PJD finds that there "may be" waters of the U.S. and/or that there "may be" navigable waters of the U.S. on the subject review area, and identifies all aquatic features in the review area that could be affected by the proposed activity, based on the following information:

SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for PJD (check all that apply)

Checked items should be included in subject file. Appropriately reference sources below where indicated for all checked items:

Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the PJD requestor: Map: <u>Vicinity map, USGS map, NWI map, Soils map, Wetland delineation plan</u>
Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the PJD requestor. Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report. Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report. Rationale:
Data sheets prepared by the Corps:
Corps navigable waters' study:
U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas: <u>Sharptown</u> , DE MD 1992
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Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation:
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State/local wetland inventory map(s):
FEMA/FIRM maps:
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Photographs: Aerial (Name & Date):
or Other (Name & Date): Site photographs - 03/30/2021
Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:
Other information (please specify):

IMPORTANT NOTE: The information recorded on this form has not necessarily been verified by the Corps and should not be relied upon for later jurisdictional determinations.

January 28, 2022

Signature and date of Regulatory staff member completing PJD

Michal J. Kli

Signature and date of person requesting PJD (REQUIRED, unless obtaining the signature is impracticable)¹

¹ Districts may establish timeframes for requestor to return signed PJD forms. If the requestor does not respond within the established time frame, the district may presume concurrence and no additional follow up is necessary prior to finalizing an action.

NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OPTIONS AND PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR APPEAL

Applicant: Michael Hurst File Number: NAP-2021-01031-85	Date: 1/18/2022					
Attached is:	See Section below					
INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission) A						
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SECTION I - The following identifies your rights and options regarding an administrative appeal of the above decision. Additional information may be found at http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/RegulatoryProgramandPermits/appeals.aspx or Corps regulations at 33 CFR Part 331.						
A: INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or object to the permit.						
• ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district en authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is author the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rig permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit	gineer for final ized. Your signature on ghts to appeal the nit.					
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C: PERMIT DENIAL: You may appeal the denial of a permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.						
D: APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You may accept or appeal the approved JD or provide new information.						
• ACCEPT: You do not need to notify the Corps to accept an approved JD. Failure to notify the Corps within 6 this notice, means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.	0 days of the date of D.					
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E: PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You do not need to respond to the Corps regarding the preliminary JD. The Preliminary JD is not appealable. If you wish, you may request an approved JD (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction. Also you may provide new information for further consideration by the Corps to reevaluate the JD.
SECTION II - REQUEST FOR APPEAL or OBJECTIONS TO AN INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT

REASONS FOR APPEAL OR OBJECTIONS: (Describe your reasons for appealing the decision or your objections to an initial proffered permit in clear concise statements. You may attach additional information to this form to clarify where your reasons or objections are addressed in the administrative record.)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: The appeal is limited to a review of the administrative record, the Corps memorandum for the record of the appeal conference or meeting, and any supplemental information that the review officer has determined is needed to clarify the administrative record. Neither the appellant nor the Corps may add new information or analyses to the record. However, you may provide additional information to clarify the location of information that is already in the administrative record.

POINT OF CONTACT FOR QUESTIONS OR INFORMATION:

If you have questions regarding this decision and/or the appeal	If you only have questions regarding the appeal process you may also
process you may contact:	contact:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Philadelphia District	Ms. Naomi J. Handell
ATTN: CENAP-OPR	Regulatory Program Manager (CENAD-PD-OR) U.S. Army Corps of
Wanamaker Building, 100 Penn Square East	Engineers Fort Hamilton Military Community
Philadelphia, PA 19107-3390	301 General Lee Avenue
Telephone: (215) 656-6728	Brooklyn, New York 11252-6700
E-mail: NAPREGULATORY@usace.army.mil	Telephone: (917) 790-8523
	E-mail: Naomi.J.Handell@usace.army.mil
RIGHT OF ENTRY: Your signature below grants the right of entry	ry to Corps of Engineers personnel, and any government consultants, to
conduct investigations of the project site during the course of the a	ppeal process. You will be provided a 15 day notice of any site
investigation, and will have the opportunity to participate in all site	e investigations.

	Date:	Telephone number:
Signature of appellant or agent.		



October 26, 2021

VIA EMAIL: todd.a.schaible@usace.army.mil

Mr. Todd Schaible, Regulatory Chief U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Philadelphia District 100 Penn Square East Wanamaker Building Philadelphia, PA 19107

> Re: JD Request for Lonesome Road Property Anne Arundel County, Maryland WSSI Project #: 31439.01

Dear Mr. Schaible:

On behalf of the property owner, Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. is requesting an Approved Jurisdictional Determination (AJD) for the above referenced +/-1-acre property, located at 26503 Lonesome Road in Sussex County, Delaware. Please find attached an electronic copy of our Wetland Delineation Report containing a description of the site and copies of a vicinity map, soil survey map, National Wetland Inventory map, U.S.G.S. topographic map, completed Wetland Delineation Data Sheets, and on-site photographs. Also, attached is a wetland delineation plan depicting the surveyed limits of potentially jurisdictional waters of the U.S. (including wetlands) within the study area.

Please have the Corps project manager contact me to schedule a date for the JD as soon as possible. I believe this information is sufficient for your review of the project. However, if you need any additional information, or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

WETLAND STUDIES AND SOLUTIONS, INC. Michal

Michael J. Klebasko, P.W.S. Manager-Maryland Environmental Science

Enclosures: 1. Completed JD Application2. Wetland Delineation Report and Plan dated April 7, 2021

cc: Michael Hurst (via e-mail: dydez@icloud.com)

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Appendix 1 - REQUEST FOR CORPS JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD)

District Name Here To:

	I am requesting a JD on property located at: 26503 Lonesome Road
	(Street Address)
	City/Township/Parish: Seaford County: Sussex State: DE
	Acreage of Parcel/Review Area for JD: 0.994
	Section: Township: Range:
	Latitude (decimal degrees): 38.621944 Longitude (decimal degrees): 75.665
	(For linear projects, please include the center point of the proposed alignment.)
•	Please attach a survey/plat map and vicinity map identifying location and review area for the JD.
٠	I currently own this property.
	C ther (please explain):
15461	Other (please explain):
•	Reason for request: (check as many as applicable)
	I intend to construct/develop a project or perform activities on this parcel which would be designed to
	avoid all aqualic resources.
	avoid all jurisdictional aquatic resources under Corps authority
	I intend to construct/develop a project or perform activities on this parcel which may require
	authorization from the Corps, and the ID would be used to avoid and minimize impacts to jurisdictional
	aquatic resources and as an initial step in a future permitting process
	Lintend to construct/develop a project or perform activities on this parcel which may require authorization from
	the Corps: this request is accompanied by my permit application and the JD is to be used in the permitting process
	I intend to construct/develop a project or perform activities in a navigable water of the U.S. which is
	included on the district Section 10 list and/or is subject to the ebb and flow of the tide.
	A Corps JD is required in order to obtain my local/state authorization.
	I intend to contest jurisdiction over a particular aquatic resource and request the Corps confirm that
	jurisdiction does/does not exist over the aquatic resource on the parcel.
	I believe that the site may be comprised entirely of dry land.
	Other:
•	Type of determination being requested:
	✓ I am requesting an approved JD.
	I am requesting a preliminary JD.
	I am requesting a "no permit required" letter as I believe my proposed activity is not regulated.
	I am unclear as to which JD I would like to request and require additional information to inform my decision.
By	signing below, you are indicating that you have the authority, or are acting as the duly authorized agent of a
per	son or entity with such authority, to and do hereby grant Corps personnel right of entry to legally access the
site	if needed to perform the JD. Your signature shall be an affirmation that you possess the requisite property
rigr	its to request a JD on the subject property.
*Si	gnature: NVCC / CCC Date: 10/26/2021
	Typed or printed name: Michael J. Klebasko, P.W.S
	Company name: Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc.
	Address: 1131 Benfield Boulevard, Suite L
	Millersville, Maryland 21108

Daytime phone no.: 410-271-4793

Email address: mklebasko@wetlands.com

*Authorities: Rivers and Harbors Act, Section 10, 33 USC 403; Clean Water Act, Section 404, 33 USC 1344; Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries Act, Section 103, 33 USC 1413; Regulatory Program of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; Final Rule for 33 CFR Parts 320-332. Principal Purpose: The information that you provide will be used in evaluating your request to determine whether there are any aquatic resources within the project area subject to federal jurisdiction under the regulatory authorities referenced above. Routine Uses: This information may be shared with the Department of Justice and other federal, state, and local government agencies, and the public, and may be

made available as part of a public notice as required by federal law. Your name and property location where federal jurisdiction is to be determined will be included in the approved jurisdictional determination (AJD), which will be made available to the public on the District's website and on the Headquarters USACE website. Disclosure: Submission of requested information is voluntary; however, if information is not provided, the request for an AJD cannot be evaluated nor can an AJD be issued.

Lonesome Road

Sussex County, Delaware

Waters of the U.S. (Including Wetlands) Delineation

October 12, 2021

Prepared for: Michael Hurst 14 East High Street Seaford, Delaware 19973

Prepared by:



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Waters of the U.S. (Including Wetlands) Delineation

Lonesome Road (0.994 acres) WSSI #31439.01

Introduction

Wetland Studies and Solutions, Inc. (WSSI) has determined the boundaries of the jurisdictional wetlands and other waters of the U.S. (i.e., streams) on the referenced site. As discussed in this report, jurisdictional wetlands and other waters of the U.S. are present on the site. These waters of the U.S. include palustrine forested (PFO) and palustrine scrub/shrub (PSS) wetlands associated with an unnamed tributary to Butler Mill Branch. Our findings are depicted as a surveyed map on the Boundary Survey Plan (<u>Attachment I</u>) and are discussed briefly below.

Project Location

The site is located east of the intersection of Ellis Mill Road and Lonesome Road in Seaford, Sussex County, Delaware. <u>Exhibit 1</u> is a vicinity map that depicts the approximate boundaries of the site and its general location.

<u>Methodology</u>

This wetland delineation was performed pursuant to the *Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual*, Technical Report Y-87-1 (1987 Manual) and subsequent guidance and modified by the *Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region*, Version 2.0 dated November 2010. Field work was performed by Amanda Atwell, P.W.S.¹, C.P.S.S.² on March 30, 2021.

Prior to conducting field work, relevant background information was reviewed, including the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) maps which include 20-foot topographic lines, forest, structures, and roads, as well as the locations of ponds, intermittent, and perennial streams (Exhibit 2); the Digital National Wetlands Inventory maps (Exhibit 3, downloaded October 2020); the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soil survey map for Sussex County, Delaware (Exhibits 4a, 4b); and the Summer 2018 Natural Color Imagery (Exhibit 5).

Observations of vegetation, soils, and hydrology were recorded at representative locations in the wetlands and adjacent non-wetland areas to determine the wetland boundaries. Wetland Determination data forms describing representative plant communities, hydrology indicators, and soil characteristics are included as <u>Exhibit 6</u>. Photographs of the data point locations, representative wetland and non-wetland communities, and other existing site conditions are included in <u>Exhibit 7</u>. The surveyed locations of delineated wetlands, other waters of the U.S., data sites, and assessed stream reaches and the approximate locations of photographs are depicted on <u>Attachment I</u>.

Lonesome Road - Waters of the U.S. Delineation

October 12, 2021

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² Certified Professional Soil Scientist #34308, Society of Soil Scientists of America.

Waters of the U.S. Delineation Findings

In WSSI's opinion, jurisdictional wetlands are present within the property. There are two (2) systems located within the study area that connect offsite, northeast of the property. The first is a PSS wetland swale originating at a culvert under Lonesome Road. This ditched and streamlined feature contains hydric soils, hydrophytic vegetation and wetland hydrology and conveys water into the larger wetland system located east of the property. The second feature is a PFO wetland located within the eastern half of the property. This PFO represents the outer limits of a much larger PFO system associated with an unnamed tributary to Butler Mill Branch, originating east of the property.

A roadside ditch is located along Lonesome Road (Photo 7). Because this swale was constructed in an upland as a stormwater conveyance, it our professional opinion that it should not be classified as a jurisdictional wetland or other water of the U.S. Non-tidal drainage ditches with ephemeral flow that are not a relocated tributary or excavated within a tributary and do not drain wetlands are not generally considered to be waters of the U.S. At the time of the Jurisdictional Determination site visit, WSSI will request the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to concur that this ditch is not a jurisdictional waters of the U.S.

<u>Summary</u>

In WSSI's opinion, jurisdictional wetlands are present within the study area, based on our site observations, as described above and depicted on <u>Attachment I</u>.

The waters of the U.S. on the site (i.e., the wetlands) are regulated by Sections 401 and 404 of the Clean Water Act and by state and Sussex County wetlands laws and cannot be disturbed without the appropriate permits. Such permits may include permits from local agencies, as well as the USACE, depending upon the extent and type of impacts.

Limitations

This study is based on examination of the vegetation, soils and hydrology and available reference documents. Field indicators can change with variations in hydrology and other factors. Therefore, our conclusions may vary significantly from future observation by others. This report assesses the potential for wetlands at the site at the time of our review and does not address conditions at a given time in the future.

Our review and report have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted guidelines for the conduct of a survey for potential wetlands. Conclusions presented herein are based upon our review of available information, the results of our field studies, and/or professional judgement. We make no other warranties, either expressed or implied, and our report is not a recommendation to buy, sell or develop the property.

We offer no opinion and do not purport to opine on the possible application of various building codes, zoning ordinances, other land use or platting regulations, environmental or health laws and other similar statutes, laws, ordinances, code and regulations affecting the possible use and occupancy of the Property for the purpose for which it is being used, except as specifically provided above.

The foregoing opinions are based on applicable laws, ordinances, and regulations in effect as of the date hereof and should not be construed to be an opinion as to the matters set out herein should such laws, ordinances or regulations be modified, repealed or amended.

Lonesome Road – Waters of the U.S. Delineation

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This report does not constitute a jurisdictional determination of waters of the U.S. since such determinations must be verified by the USACE (as applicable) and are subject to review by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

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Lonesome Road - Waters of the U.S. Delineation



Vicinity Map Lonesome Road Property WSSI #31439.01



Source: World Street Map - ESRI





📘 Project Area

USGS 7.5' Quadrangle Map Lonesome Road Property WSSI #31439.01



Sharptown, DE MD 1992 Latitude: 38°37'19"N Longitude: 75°39'54"W Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): 020801090405 HUC12 Name: Butler Mill Branch-Nanticoke River COE Region: Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain

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Source: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; October 2020

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Major Land Resource Area: Northern Tidewater Area, 153D Land Resource Region: Atlantic and Gulf Coast Lowland Forest and Crop Region, T Source: Sussex County Digital Data, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2019

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Exhibit 4b: MAPPED SOIL TYPES

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Hydric Rating	Hydrologic Soil Group	K Factor (Whole Soil)
HuA	Hurlock loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	80	A/D	0.02
RoA	Rosedale loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	0	A	0.10

Source: <u>http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov</u> (April 2021)



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Summer 2018 Natural Color Imagery Lonesome Road Property WSSI #31439.01



Source: National Agriculture Imagery Program (NAIP)

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WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region

Project/Site: Lonesome Road Property	City/County: Sussex	Sampling Date: <u>3 /30/2021</u>
Applicant/Owner: Michael Hurst	State: DE	Sampling Point: DP1
Investigator(s): AA	Section, Township, Range: <u>N/A</u>	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace	ocal relief (concave, convex, none): <u>Concave</u>	Slope (%): 0-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): T Lat: 38°37'19"	Long: 75°39'54"	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Hurlock loamy sand	NWI classific	cation: PFO1/4B
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time o Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significant Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p SUMMARY OF FINDINGS - Attach site map showin	f year?Yes <u>V</u> No (If no, explain in Rutly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" problematic? (If needed, explain any answer g sampling point locations, transects	emarks) resent? Yes <u>✔</u> No <u>□</u> ers in Remarks.) , important features, etc
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No Hydric Soil Present? Yes No Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes No	 Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes _✔ 	No
Remarks: All three wetland parameters (i.e., wetland hydrology, hydrophytic v a palustrine forested wetland in the central portion of the study are	vegetation, and hydric soils) were satisfied at this o	data point, which characterizes

HYDROLOGY

Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indicators (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
 Surface Water (A1) Aquatic Fauna (B13) High Water Table (A2) Marl Deposits (B15) (LRR U) Saturation (A3) True Aquatic Plants (B14) Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living I Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7) Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remarks) 	 Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8) Drainage Patterns (B10) Moss Trim Lines (B16) Dry-Season Water Table (C2) Roots (C3) Crayfish Burrows (C8) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) bils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2) Shallow Aquitard (D3) FAC-Neutral Test (D5) Sphagnum Moss (D8) (LRR T, U)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes 🔽 No 🗌 Depth (inches): 1"	
Water Table Present? Yes 🗹 No 🗌 Depth (inches): 2"	
Saturation Present? Yes 🔽 No 🗌 Depth (inches): 0"	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes 🖌 No
(includes capillary fringe)	
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspec	tions), if available:
Remarks:	
Five percent of the area had visible standing water.	

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VEGETATION (Four Strata) - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: DP1

Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius)	Absolute % Cover	Dominant Species?	Status	Dominance Test worksheet:		
Acer rubrum	25		FAC	Number of Dominant Species	6	(
1. <u>Neerrus alba</u>	20		FACU	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:		_ (A)
2. Pinus taeda	20		FAC	Total Number of Dominant	8	
	15		FAC	Species Across All Strata:		(B)
4. Oversus pageda	10			Porcent of Dominant Species		
5. <u>Quercus pagoda</u>	10		FACW	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	75.0%	(A/B)
6						_ (' ' /
7				Prevalence Index worksheet:	:	
8				Total % Cover of:	Multiply	by:
	90	= Total Cove	er	OBL species	x 1 =	
50% of total cover: 45	20% of	total cover:	18	FACW species	x 2 =	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius						
		_		FAC species	k 3 =	
1. <u>Ilex opaca</u>	30		FAC	FACU species	x 4 =	
2. <u>Nyssa sylvatica</u>	15	✓	FAC	UPL species	x 5 =	
3				Column Totolor	(A)	(D)
4					(A)	(D)
5				Prevalence Index = B/A =	-	_
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indica	ators:	
7				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophy	tic Vegetation	
8				✓ 2 - Dominance Test is >50%	%	
	45	= Total Cove	er	☐ 3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.0	0 ¹	
50% of total cover: 22.5	20% of	total cover:	9	Problematic Hydrophytic Ve	egetation ¹ (Expl	ain)
	-				3	,
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>30' Radius</u>)						
1. Lonicera japonica	15	✓	FACU			
2. Smilax rotundifolia	5	✓	FAC			
3. Clethra alnifolia	5	✓	FACW	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and we	tland hydrology	must
4.				be present, unless disturbed or	problematic.	
5				Definitions of Four Vegetation	n Strata:	
6						
7				more in diameter at breast heigh	ht (DBH) regar	dless of
8				height.	nt (BBH), rogan	
0						
9				Sapling/Shrub - Woody plants, of	excluding vines.	, less
10				m) tall.	for equal to 3.2	011(1
10				,		
12	25			Herb - All herbaceous (non-woo	dy) plants, rega	ardless
		= Total Cove	er	of size, and woody plants less the	nan 3.28 π tall.	
50% of total cover: 12.5	20% of	total cover:	5	Woody vine - All woody vines gi	reater than 3.28	8 ft in
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius				height.		
, ,						
1						
2						
3						
4						
5				Hydrophytic		
		= Total Cove	er	Vegetation		
50% of total cover:	20% of	total cover:		Present? Yes 🔽	NO	-
Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptations below	v)			•		
	•/•					
Nomenclature and indicators from The National Wetland Pl	ant List: 20	18 wetland i	ratings wit	n updates through December 202	:0; NI species a	re not

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SOIL

Profile Desc	cription: (Describe t Matrix	o the depth ı	needed to docume Rede	ent the in ox Featu	ndicator o	or confirm	n the absence o	of indicators.)
(Inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-4	2.5Y3/2	100					Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy Loam
4-12	2.5Y6/2	92	2.5Y6/4	8	С	М	Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy Loam
12-22	2.5Y6/1	85	2.5¥6/6	15		M	Sandy Clay Lo	
	2.010/1		2.010/0					
		<u> </u>						
¹ Type: C=C	oncentration, D=Dep	letion, RM=R	educed Matrix, MS	=Masked	d Sand Gra	ains.	² Location: P	L=Pore Lining, M=Matrix
Hydric Soil	Indicators: (Applic	able to all LF	Rs, unless other	wise not	es.)		Indicat	ors for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histoso	ol (A1)		Polyvalue Be	low Surf	ace (S8)	(LRR S,	T,U) 🗌 1 ci	m Muck (A9) (LRR O)
	Epipedon (A2)		Thin Dark Su	face (S9) (LRR S	6, T, U)	2 ci	m Muck (A10) (LRR S)
	HISTIC (A3)			y Minera	(F1) (LR (F2)	R 0)		duced Vertic (F18) (outside MLRA 150A,B
	ed Lavers (A5)		 Depleted Mat 	trix (F3)	(1 2)			omalous Bright Loamy Soils (F20)
Organi	c Bodies (A6) (LRF	R P, T, U)	Redox Dark S	Surface (F6)			(MLRA 153B)
5 cm N	lucky Mineral (A7) (I	LRR P, T, U)	Depleted Dar	k Surfac	e (F7)		Red	d Parent Material (TF2)
Muck F	Presence (A8) (LRR	U)	Redox Depre	ssions (F	-8)		Ver	y Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)
1 cm N	luck (A9) (LRR P, 1	Г)	Marl (F10) (I	LRR U)			Oth	er (Explain in Remarks)
Deplete	ed Below Dark Surfa	ce (A11)		nric (F11) (MLRA	151)	D T)	
	Dark Surface (A12) Prairie Redox (A16)	(MI RA 150A)					P, I) ³ Indic	cators of hydrophytic vegetation and
Sandv	Mucky Mineral (S1)	(LRR O. S)	Delta Ochric	(F17) (N	(LIXI F,	1, 0)	wetla	Ind hydrology must be present, unless
Sandy	Gleyed Matrix (S4)	(, _, _, _,	Reduced Ver	tic (F18)	(MLRA 1	50A, 150	B)	rbed or problematic.
Sandy	Redox (S5)		Piedmont Flo	odplain	Soils (F19) (MLRA 1	49A)	
Strippe	ed Matrix (S6)		Anomalous E	Bright Loa	amy Soils	(F20) (ML	.RA 149A, 153C	c, 153D)
🗌 Dark S	urface (S7) (LRR P,	, S, T, U)						
Restrictive	Layer (if observed):							
Type:								
Depth (In	ches):						Hydric Soil	Present? Yes 🔽 No 🛄
Remarks:								

Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region - Version 2.0

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region

Project/Site:Lonesome Road Property	City/County: Sussex	Sampling Date: <u>3 /30/2021</u>
Applicant/Owner: Michael Hurst	State: <u>DE</u>	Sampling Point: DP2
Investigator(s): <u>AA</u>	_Section, Township, Range: <u>N/A</u>	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace	ocal relief (concave, convex, none): Concave	Slope (%): 0-2
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): T Lat: 38°37'19"	Long: 75°39'54"	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Hurlock loamy sand	NWI classifi	cation: None
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significant Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally p SUMMARY OF FINDINGS - Attach site map showin	f year?Yes <u>V</u> No (If no, explain in R ly disturbed? Are "Normal Circumstances" problematic? (If needed, explain any answ g sampling point locations, transects	emarks) present? Yes _✔_ No _ ers in Remarks.) s, important features, etc
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No ✓ Hydric Soil Present? Yes No ✓ Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ✓ No ✓	 Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland? Yes 	No
Remarks:		
Only one (i.e., wetland hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydr characterizes a forested upland in the central portion of the study a	ic soils) of the three wetland parameters was sati rea or site.	sfied at this data point, which
HYDROLOGY		
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:	Secondary Indic	ators (minimum of two required)

Wettand Hydrology indicators.	
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that apply)	Surface Soil Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1) Aquatic Fauna (B13) ✓ High Water Table (A2) Marl Deposits (B15) (LRR U) Saturation (A3) True Aquatic Plants (B14) Water Marks (B1) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1) Sediment Deposits (B2) Oxidized Rhizospheres on Living Drift Deposits (B3) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4) Algal Mat or Crust (B4) Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled S Iron Deposits (B5) Thin Muck Surface (C7) Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7) Other (Explain in Remarks) Water-Stained Leaves (B9) Water-Stained Leaves (B9)	 Sparsely Vegetated Concave Surface (B8) Drainage Patterns (B10) Moss Trim Lines (B16) Dry-Season Water Table (C2) Roots (C3) Crayfish Burrows (C8) Saturation Visible on Aerial Imagery (C9) oils (C6) Geomorphic Position (D2) Shallow Aquitard (D3) FAC-Neutral Test (D5) Sphagnum Moss (D8) (LRR T, U)
Field Observations:	
Surface Water Present? Yes No Depth (inches):	
Water Table Present? Yes <u>V</u> No Depth (inches): 8"	
Saturation Present? Yes L No Vendor Depth (inches):	Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes 🔽 No 🗌
(includes capillary fringe)	ationa) if available:
Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aenai protos, previous inspe	cions), il available.
Remarks:	

US Army Corps of Engineers

VEGETATION (Four Strata) - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: DP2

	Abcoluto	Dominant	Indicator	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius)	% Cover	Species?	Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
Acer rubrum	35		FAC	Number of Dominant Species 3
Quercus alba	25		FACU	That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)
	10		FACU	Total Number of Dominant 6
3				Species Across All Strata: (B)
4				Percent of Dominant Species
5				That Are OBL_FACW_or FAC' (A/B)
6				
7				Prevalence Index worksheet:
8				Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
	70	= Total Cove	er	$\frac{1}{OBI \text{ species}} \qquad 0 \qquad \text{ x 1 = } \qquad 0$
50% of total cover: 35	20% of	total cover:	14	
20! Dadiua				FACW species 0 x 2 = 0
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 50 Radius)				FAC species 80 x 3 = 240
1Ilex opaca	30	✓	FAC	FACU species 137 x 4 = 548
2. Prunus serotina	10	✓	FACU	$ P \text{ species} \qquad 0 \qquad x 5 = 0$
3. Nyssa sylvatica	10	✓	FAC	
4.				Column Totals: 217 (A) 788 (B)
5.				Prevalence Index = B/A = 3.63
6.				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
7.				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation
8				\square 2 - Dominance Test is >50%
0	50	- Total Cove		\square 3 - Prevalence Index is <3.01
EQ9/ of total accuration of the	200/ of		10	Drehlemetia Lludrenbutia Magnetation1 (Evaluin)
	20% 01	total cover.	10	
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>30' Radius</u>)				
Lonicera japonica	75	✓	FACU	
Allium canadense	15		FACU	
2. Smilax rotundifolia			FAC	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
3	2		FACU	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
			1700	Definitions of Four Vegetation Strata
5				Deminitions of Four Vegetation Strata.
6				Tree - Woody plants, excluding vines, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or
7				more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of
8				neight.
9				Sapling/Shrub - Woody plants, excluding vines, less
10				than 3 in. DBH and greater than or equal to 3.28 ft (1
11				m) tall.
12				Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless
	97	= Total Cove	r	of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
50% of total cover: 48.5	20% of	total cover:		
	2070 01		10.4	Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: <u>50 Radius</u>)				neight.
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				Hadava ha đa
·		= Total Cove		Hydropnytic Vegetation
50% of total cover:	20% of	total cover:		Present? Yes No
	2070 01			
Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptations below Nomenclature and indicators from The National Wetland Pla used in the Dominance Test Calculation.). ant List: 20	18 wetland r	atings wit	h updates through December 2020; NI species are not

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SOIL

Profile Desc	cription: (Describe t	to the depth	needed to docum	ent the in	ndicator o	or confirm	n the absence of	indicators.)
Depth (Inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	Texture	Remarks
0-5	2.5Y3/2	100	. , ,				Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy Loam
5-14	2.5Y5/3	90	2.5Y5/4	10	С	М	Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy Loam
14-20	5Y6/3	100					Sandy Clay Loar	m Fine Sandy Clay Loam
20-22	2.5Y5/3	95	2.5Y5/6	5	С	М	Sandy Clay Loar	n Fine Sandy Clay Loam
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	·							
	·							
¹ Tvpe: C=C	oncentration. D=Dep	letion. RM=R	educed Matrix. MS	S=Masked	Sand Gra	ains.	² Location: PL=	Pore Lining, M=Matrix
Hydric Soil	Indicators: (Applic	able to all Li	Rs, unless other	rwise not	es.)		Indicators	s for Problematic Hydric Soils ³ :
Histose	ol (A1)		Polyvalue B	elow Surfa	ace (S8)	(LRR S,	T, U) 🗌 1 cm	Muck (A9) (LRR O)
Histic I	Epipedon (A2)		Thin Dark S	uface (S9) (LRR S	6, T, U)	2 cm	Muck (A10) (LRR S)
Black I	Histic (A3)		Loamy Mucl	ky Mineral	(F1) (LR	R 0)	Reduc	ced Vertic (F18) (outside MLRA 150A,B
Hydrog	gen Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Gley	ed Matrix	(F2)		Piedm	nont Floodplain Soils (F19) (LRR P,S,T)
	ed Layers (A5)			atrix (F3)				alous Bright Loamy Soils (F20)
	C Bodies (A6) (LRI	R P, T, U)	Redox Dark	Surface (F6) c (F7)		(M	ILRA 153B)
	$P_{\text{resoned}}(A8)$	LRR P, I, U)		ark Suriac	e (r/)		Voru Shellow Dark Surface (TE12)	
		τ)	Marl (F10)	(I RR II)	0)			(Explain in Remarks)
	ed Below Dark Surfa	., ce (A11)	Depleted Oc	chric (F11)) (MLRA	151)		
Thick [Dark Surface (A12)	()	Iron Mangar	nese Mass	ses (F12)	(LRR O,	P, T)	
Coast	Prairie Redox (A16)	(MLRA 150A	Umbric Surf	ace (F13)	(LRR P,	T, U)	³ Indicat	ors of hydrophytic vegetation and
Sandy	Mucky Mineral (S1)	(LRR O, S)	Delta Ochric	(F17) (M	ILRA 151))	disturbe	a nydrology must be present, unless ed or problematic.
Sandy	Gleyed Matrix (S4)		Reduced Ve	ertic (F18)	(MLRA 1	50A, 150	В)	
Sandy	Redox (S5)		Piedmont Fl	oodplain \$	Soils (F19) (MLRA 1	49A)	
Strippe	ed Matrix (S6)	o =	Anomalous	Bright Loa	amy Soils	(F20) (ML	RA 149A, 153C, 1	153D)
Dark S	Surface (S7) (LRR P	, S, I, U)					_	
Restrictive	Layer (if observed):							
Depth (In	iches).							
Boput (in							Hydric Soil P	resent? Yes <u>I</u> No <u>V</u>
Remarks:								

WETLAND DETERMINATION DATA FORM - Atlantic and Gulf Coastal Plain Region

Project/Site: Lonesome Road Property	City/County: Sussex		Sampling Date: 3 /31/2021
Applicant/Owner: Michael Hurst		State: DE	Sampling Point: DP3
Investigator(s):AA	Section, Township, Range:	N/A	
Landform (hillslope, terrace, etc.): Terrace	Local relief (concave, convex, no	ne): <u>Concave</u>	Slope (%): <u>0-2</u>
Subregion (LRR or MLRA): <u>T</u> Lat: <u>38°37'19"</u>	Long: <u>75</u>	39'54"	Datum: NAD 83
Soil Map Unit Name: Rosedale loamy sand		NWI classific	ation: None
Are climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time	e of year?Yes No	(If no, explain in Re	emarks)
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology signification	antly disturbed? Are "Norma	I Circumstances" p	resent? Yes 🔽 No 🗌
Are Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology natural	y problematic? (If needed,	explain any answe	rs in Remarks.)
SUMMARY OF FINDINGS - Attach site map show	ing sampling point location	ons, transects,	important features, etc
Hydrophytic Vegetation Present? Yes No Image: Comparison of the sector of the se	Is the Sampled Area within a Wetland?	Yes	No
HYDROLOGY			
Wetland Hydrology Indicators:		Secondary Indica	tors (minimum of two required)
Primary Indicators (minimum of one is required; check all that a	oply)	Surface Soil	Cracks (B6)
Surface Water (A1)	una (B13)	Sparsely Vec	jetated Concave Surface (B8)
High Water Table (A2)	sits (B15) (LRR U)	✓ Drainage Pat	terns (B10)
Saturation (A3)	lic Plants (B14) Sulfide Oder (C1)		nes (B16) Nator Table (C2)
Sediment Deposits (B2)	bizospheres on Living Roots (C3)		rows (C8)
Drift Deposits (B3)	of Reduced Iron (C4)	Saturation Vi	sible on Aerial Imagery (C9)
Algal Mat or Crust (B4)	n Reduction in Tilled Soils (C6)	Geomorphic	Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5)	Surface (C7)	Shallow Aqui	tard (D3)
Inundation Visible on Aerial Imagery (B7)	lain in Remarks)	FAC-Neutral	Test (D5)
Water-Stained Leaves (B9)		Sphagnum M	loss (D8) (LRR T, U)
Field Observations:			
Surface Water Present? Yes No Depth (inc	ches):		
Water Table Present? Yes No 🔽 Depth (ind	ches):		

(includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous inspections), if available: Remarks:

Yes ____ No 🔽 Depth (inches):

Saturation Present?

Wetland Hydrology Present? Yes ____ No

✓

VEGETATION (Four Strata) - Use scientific names of plants

Sampling Point: DP3

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Absolute	Dominant	Indicator			
Tree Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius)	% Cover	Species?	Status	Dominance Test worksheet:		
1				That Are OBL FACW or FAC	0	(A)
2						(~)
2				Total Number of Dominant	1	
3				Species Across All Strata:		(B)
4				Percent of Dominant Species	0.0%	
5				That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC:	0.0%	(A/B)
6						
7				Prevalence Index worksheet:		
8				Total % Cover of:	Multiply b	y:
		= Total Cove	er	OBL species 5 x	1 = 5	
50% of total cover:	20% of	total cover:		FACW species 2 x	2 = 4	
Sapling/Shrub Stratum (Plot size: 30' Radius						<u> </u>
				FAC species 0 x	3 = 0	_
1				FACU species 15 x	4 = 60	
2				UPL species 0 x	5 = 0	
3					A) <u>CO</u>	(D)
4				Column Totals: 22 (A	A) 69	(B)
5				Prevalence Index = B/A =	3.14	_
6				Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicat	tors:	
7.				1 - Rapid Test for Hydrophyti	ic Vegetation	
8				\square 2 - Dominance Test is >50%		
··		= Total Cove	er	\square 3 - Prevalence Index is <3.0 ¹	1	
50% of total cover:	20% of	total cover:	51		netation ¹ (Evalai	in)
	20 /0 01					11)
Herb Stratum (Plot size: <u>30' Radius</u>)						
Lonicera japonica	10	✓	FACU			
2 Poa sp.	8	<u> </u>	NI			
Juncus effusus	5		OBL	¹ Indicators of hydric soil and wetl	and hydrology r	nust
Trifolium repens	5		FACU	be present, unless disturbed or p	problematic.	
Rubus hispidus	2		FACW	Definitions of Four Vegetation	Strata:	
5. Nigella arvensis			FACU		•••••	
				Tree - Woody plants, excluding v	ines, 3 in. (7.6 d	cm) or
				more in diameter at breast height	t (DBH), regardi	ess of
8				neight.		
9				Sapling/Shrub - Woody plants, ex	xcluding vines, I	ess
10				than 3 in. DBH and greater than	or equal to 3.28	ft (1
11				m) tan.		
12				Herb - All herbaceous (non-wood	ly) plants, regar	dless
	30	= Total Cove	er	of size, and woody plants less the	an 3.28 ft tall.	
50% of total cover: 15	20% of	total cover:	6	Mandu vina All woody vinage are	actor than 2 20 d	ft in
Wester (But in 30' Radius				height	saler than 5.20 i	it in
(Plot size: <u>ee radius</u>)				inoigin.		
1						
2						
3						
4						
5				Hydrophytic		
		= Total Cove	er	Vegetation		
50% of total cover:	20% of	total cover:		Present? Yes	No 🖌	
	_0.0 01			l		
Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptations below).					
Nomenclature and indicators from The National Wetland Pla	nt List: 20	18 wetland r	ratings wit	h updates through December 2020); NI species are	e not
used in the Dominance Test Calculation. This data point was	s complete	ed within a ro	padside sv	vale, so the radius was modified to	include vegeta	tion
within swale only.						

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Profile Description: (Describe to the depth needed to document the indicator or confirm the absence of indicators.)										
(Inches)	Color (moist)	%	Color (moist)	%	Type ¹	Loc ²	- Texture	Rema	irks	
0-4	10YR3/2	100					Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy L	oam	
4-17	2 5Y4/3	80	2 5 Y 4/2	10		PI	Sandy Loam	Fine Sandy I	oam	
			2.5V5/2	10		 				
47.04			2.515/2	10		N				
17-21	2.515/3	90	2.515/6	10	<u> </u>	IVI	Sandy Clay Loa	am Fine Sandy C	lay Loam	
	oncentration D-Den	letion RM-I	Peduced Matrix MS	-Masker	d Sand Gr	aine	² l ocation: Pl :	-Pore Lining M-M	Astrix	
Hydric Soil	Indicators: (Applic		RRs unless other			allis.		rs for Problemati		
			Polyvalue Be	elow Surf	ace (S8)	(I RR S		Muck (A9) (I RR	O)	
	Epipedon (A2)		Thin Dark Su	uface (S9) (LRR \$	(<u>_</u> , U)	□ 2 cm	Muck (A10) (LR	e, R S)	
Black H	Histic (A3)		Loamy Muck	y Minera	I (F1) (LF	RR 0)	Reduced Vertic (F18) (outside MLRA 150A.B			
Hydrog	gen Sulfide (A4)		Loamy Gleye	ed Matrix	(F2)		Pied	mont Floodplain S	oils (F19) (LRR P,S,T)	
Stratifie	ed Layers (A5)		Depleted Ma	trix (F3)			Anomalous Bright Loamy Soils (F20)			
🗌 Organi	c Bodies (A6) (LRF	R P, T, U)	Redox Dark	Surface ((F6)		()	MLRA 153B)		
5 cm N	lucky Mineral (A7) (I	LRR P, T, U) 🗌 Depleted Da	rk Surfac	e (F7)		Red Parent Material (TF2)			
Muck F	Presence (A8) (LRR	U)	Redox Depre	essions (I	F8)		Very Shallow Dark Surface (TF12)			
	1uck (A9) (LRR P, 1	Г)	∐ Marl (F10) ((LRR U)			Othe	Other (Explain in Remarks)		
	ed Below Dark Surfa	ce (A11)		hric (F11) (MLRA	151)	D T)			
	Dark Surface (A12) Prairie Rodex (A16)	MI DA 150	Iron Mangan	ese Mas			P, I) ³ Indica	ators of hydrophytic	c vegetation and	
Sandy	Mucky Mineral (S1)		Delta Ochric	(F17) (N	/ (LRK P, / RA 151	1, 0 <i>)</i>	wetlan	d hydrology must	be present, unless	
Sandy	Gleved Matrix (S4)	(Entro, 0)	Reduced Ve	(i 17) (iii rtic (F18)	(MLRA	, 150A. 150	disturb B)	bed or problematic		
Sandy	Redox (S5)		Piedmont Fl	odplain	Soils (F19)(MLRA 1	_, 49A)			
Strippe	ed Matrix (S6)		Anomalous I	Bright Loa	amy Soils	(F20) (ML	.RA 149A, 153C,	153D)		
Dark S	urface (S7) (LRR P,	, S, T, U)								
Restrictive I	Layer (if observed):									
Type:	• • •									
Depth (Inches):					Hydric Soil Present? Yes No 🗸					
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Remarks:										



1. View of soil profile at Data Point 1 (03/30/2021).



2. View of vegetation at Data Point 1 (03/30/2021).



3. View of soil profile at Data Point 2 (03/30/2021).



4. View of vegetation at Data Point 2 (03/30/2021).



5. View of soil profile at Data Point 3 (03/30/2021).



6. View of vegetation at Data Point 3 (03/30/2021).



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7. View of roadside ditch along southern portion of property (03/30/2021).



8. View of wetland swale along western edge of property, delineated by flag series B (03/30/2021).



9. View of representative uplands (03/30/2021).



10. View of wetland located along the northern edge of property (03/30/2021)

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ATTACHMENT 1

