

**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**

**A. REPORT COMPLETION DATE FOR APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (JD): November 23, 2015**

**B. DISTRICT OFFICE, FILE NAME, AND NUMBER:** Buffalo District; Auburn Field Office; Bella Casa Builders by Alberci (Collington East); File No. 2015-00834

**C. PROJECT LOCATION AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** northeast of Route 370 and north of Patchett Road

State: **New York** County: **Onondaga** City: **Baldwinsville**  
Center coordinates of site (lat/long in degree decimal format): **Lat. 43.15608 Long: -76.29515**  
Universal Transverse Mercator: **Zone 18 Y = 4778961.55009957 X = 394701.461242425**

Name of nearest waterbody: **Seneca River**

Name of nearest Traditional Navigable Water (TNW) into which the aquatic resource flows:

Name of watershed or Hydrologic Unit Code (HUC): **041402011611**

- 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. **Wetland A (8.6 acres) Wetland F (0.02 acre) and Stream F (70 linear feet) are processed as a Preliminary JD and are depicted in Review Area 1; which is not subject to review under this Approved JD.**

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

- Office (Desk) Determination. **Date: October 26, 2015**  
 Field Determination. **Date: October 21, 2015**

**SECTION II: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

**A. RHA SECTION 10 DETERMINATION OF JURISDICTION.**

There **ARE NO** "navigable waters of the U.S." within Rivers and Harbors Act (RHA) jurisdiction (as defined by 33 CFR part 329) in the review 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.**

There **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):** <sup>1</sup>

- TNWs, including territorial seas  
 Wetlands adjacent to TNWs  
 Relatively permanent waters<sup>2</sup> (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**

Elevation of established OHWM (if known):

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

<sup>2</sup> 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).

2. **Non-regulated waters/wetlands (check if applicable):**<sup>3</sup>

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

**Pond B (0.32 acre), Wetland C (0.50 acre) and Wetland D (0.16 acre)** are outside Department of the Army jurisdiction as they do not meet the criteria for a jurisdictional water of the United States according to 33 CFR Part 328.3(a)(1-7) as follows:

1. does not/has not supported interstate or foreign commerce;
2. is not an interstate water/wetland;
3. the degradation or destruction of which would not affect interstate or foreign commerce and does not include such waters:
  - (i) which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes; or
  - (ii) from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce; or
  - (iii) which are used or could be used for industrial purpose by industries in interstate commerce
4. is not an impoundment of water otherwise defined as WOUS under the definition;
5. is not a tributary of waters identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(4) of this section;
6. is not a territorial sea;
7. is not wetland adjacent to waters (other than waters that are themselves wetlands) identified in paragraphs (a)(1)-(6) of this section.

Overall, the approximately 76-acre parcel is a mixture of upland forest, upland scrub/shrub and open, early successional old field. Drainage is generally to the northwest and comprises an approximate 200-acre drainage basin. Much of the parcel was in agriculture in the past and is relatively flat. The nearest potential conveyance for the identified aquatic features identified in Review Area 2 would be an off-site, unnamed tributary to the Seneca River, which is a Section 10 water.

**Review Area 2:**

**Pond B** - An old wooden dock was found discarded in the tall vegetation so we can only speculate that the Pond may have been used for recreation or a stock watering pond when the parcel was in agriculture. There is no evidence of flow into or out of this feature. The Pond was excavated in soils mapped as Appleton loam, which has a hydric ranking of '5-percent'. Pond B is approximately 2,425 linear feet from the off-site, unnamed tributary to the Seneca River.

**Wetlands C and D** formed in very shallow depressions within Ontario gravelly loam, which has a hydric ranking of '0-percent'. These two areas are located in heavily vegetated old field/scrub-shrub areas and are barely discernible. Historic maps show a stream flowing through the parcel which appears to connect these two Wetlands; however, there is no evidence of a stream channel anywhere on the parcel. Wetland C is approximately 2,735 linear feet from the off-site, unnamed tributary to the Seneca River and Wetland D is approximately 3,275 linear feet from the tributary.

Due to topography and distance to the nearest tributary, the presence of a shallow subsurface flow connection to the off-site, unnamed tributary is very unlikely for any of the three features described above.

Note: As stated above, Wetland A, Wetland F, and Stream F are processed as a Preliminary JD and are depicted in Review Area 1, which is not subject to review under this Approved JD.

**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":

<sup>3</sup> Supporting documentation is presented in Section III.F.

**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 waterbody<sup>4</sup> 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

**(ii) 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<sup>5</sup>:  
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:

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

<sup>5</sup> 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.

(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<sup>6</sup> (check all indicators that apply):

clear, natural line impressed on the bank

changes in the character of soil

shelving

vegetation matted down, bent, or absent

leaf litter disturbed or washed away

sediment deposition

water staining

Discontinuous OHWM.<sup>7</sup> Explain:

the presence of litter and debris

destruction of terrestrial vegetation

the presence of wrack line

sediment sorting

scour

multiple observed or predicted flow events

abrupt change in plant community

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

High Tide Line indicated by:

oil or scum line along shore objects

fine shell or debris deposits (foreshore)

physical markings/characteristics

tidal gauges

Mean High Water Mark indicated by:

survey to available datum;

physical markings;

vegetation lines/changes in vegetation types.

(iii) **Chemical Characteristics:**

Characterize tributary (e.g., water color is clear, discolored, oily film; water quality; general watershed characteristics, etc.).

Explain:

Identify specific pollutants, if known:

(iv) **Biological 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. **Characteristics of wetlands adjacent to non-TNW that flow directly or indirectly into TNW**

(i) **Physical Characteristics:**

(a) 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:

<sup>6</sup>A 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.

<sup>7</sup>Ibid.

(c) Wetland Adjacency Determination with Non-TNW:

- Directly abutting
- Not directly abutting
  - Discrete wetland hydrologic connection. Explain:
  - Ecological connection. Explain:
  - Separated by berm/barrier. Explain:

(d) Proximity (Relationship) to TNW

Project wetlands are **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) **Chemical Characteristics:**

Characterize wetland system (e.g., water color is clear, brown, oil film on surface; water quality; general watershed characteristics; etc.). Explain:  
 Identify specific pollutants, if known:

(iii) **Biological 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. **Characteristics of all wetlands adjacent to the tributary (if any)**

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 following:

<u>Directly abuts? (Y/N)</u>	<u>Size (in acres)</u>	<u>Directly abuts? (Y/N)</u>	<u>Size (in acres)</u>
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Summarize overall biological, chemical and physical functions being performed:

**C. SIGNIFICANT NEXUS DETERMINATION**

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

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

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

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

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

2. **Significant nexus findings for non-RPW and its adjacent wetlands, where the non-RPW flows directly or indirectly into TNWs.** Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D:
3. **Significant nexus findings for wetlands adjacent to an RPW but that do not directly abut the RPW.** Explain findings of presence or absence of significant nexus below, based on the tributary in combination with all of its adjacent wetlands, then go to Section III.D:

**D. DETERMINATIONS OF JURISDICTIONAL FINDINGS. THE SUBJECT WATERS/WETLANDS ARE (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):**

1. **TNWs and Adjacent Wetlands.** Check all that apply and provide size estimates in review area:  
 TNWs: linear feet width (ft), Or, acres.  
 Wetlands adjacent to TNWs: acres.
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<sup>8</sup> 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 jurisdictional. 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.

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<sup>8</sup>See Footnote # 3.

**7. Impoundments of jurisdictional waters.<sup>9</sup>**

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).

**E. ISOLATED [INTERSTATE OR INTRA-STATE] WATERS, INCLUDING ISOLATED WETLANDS, THE USE, DEGRADATION OR DESTRUCTION OF WHICH COULD AFFECT INTERSTATE COMMERCE, INCLUDING ANY SUCH WATERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):<sup>10</sup>**

- which are or could be used by interstate or foreign travelers for recreational or other purposes.
- from which fish or shellfish are or could be taken and sold in interstate or foreign commerce.
- which are or could be used for industrial purposes by industries in interstate commerce.
- Interstate isolated waters. Explain:
- Other factors. Explain:

**Identify water body and summarize rationale supporting determination:**

Provide estimates for jurisdictional waters in the review area (check all that apply):

- Tributary waters:        linear feet        width (ft).
- Other non-wetland waters:        acres.
- Identify type(s) of waters:
- Wetlands:        acres.

**F. NON-JURISDICTIONAL WATERS, INCLUDING WETLANDS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):**

- If potential wetlands were assessed within the review area, these areas did not meet the criteria in the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual and/or appropriate Regional Supplements.
- Review area included isolated waters with no substantial nexus to interstate (or foreign) commerce.
  - Prior to the Jan 2001 Supreme Court decision in “SWANCC,” the review area would have been regulated based solely on the “Migratory Bird Rule” (MBR).
- Waters do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction. Explain:        .
- Other: (explain, if not covered above):

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area, where the sole potential basis of jurisdiction is the MBR factors (i.e., presence of migratory birds, presence of endangered species, use of water for irrigated agriculture), using best professional judgment (check all that apply):

- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams):        linear feet        width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds:        Pond B    0.32 acre**
- Other non-wetland waters:        acres. List type of aquatic resource:
- Wetlands:        Wetland C        PEM    0.50 acre**
- Wetland D        PEM    0.16 acre**

Provide acreage estimates for non-jurisdictional waters in the review area that do not meet the “Significant Nexus” standard, where such a finding is required for jurisdiction (check all that apply):

- Non-wetland waters (i.e., rivers, streams):        linear feet,        width (ft).
- Lakes/ponds:        acres.
- Other non-wetland waters:        acres. List type of aquatic resource:
- Wetlands:        acres.

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

<sup>10</sup> 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.

**SECTION IV: DATA SOURCES.**

**A. SUPPORTING DATA. Data reviewed for JD (check all that apply - checked items shall be included in case file and, where checked and requested, appropriately reference sources below):**

- Maps, plans, plots or plat submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant: **Terrestrial Environmental Specialists, Inc.**
- Data sheets prepared/submitted by or on behalf of the applicant/consultant.
  - Office concurs with data sheets/delineation report.
  - Office does not concur with data sheets/delineation report.
- Data sheets prepared by the Corps:
- Corps navigable waters' study:
- U.S. Geological Survey Hydrologic Atlas:
  - USGS NHD data.
  - USGS 8 and 12 digit HUC maps

U.S. Geological Survey map. Cite scale & quad name: **Scale: 24000; Baldwinsville, New York. The topo map depicts drainage to the northwest. An intermittent stream is shown to run nearly diagonally from east to west across the site. However, this stream could not be found by the consultant during their initial site reconnaissance or subsequent delineation of the site or during the Corps' October 21, 2015 site visit. Pond B is depicted and the map suggests that there is a stream from the Pond to the northwest. However, the Pond water level is 8-10 feet below the top of bank. There is a water control structure seated 2-3 feet below the top of bank, but it is not connected to any outfall culverts. The search for a buried culvert or some other hydrologic outlet was searched for an approximate 50-75 foot perimeter around the Pond, but none were found. It appears that the topo map is in error because there is no stream across the center of the parcel and no stream from the Pond.**

USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Soil Survey. Citation: **NRCS WebSoilSurvey - Soils identified within the study area:**

	Hydric Rating
<b>Appleton loam (AoA), 0 to 3 percent slopes</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Cazenovia silt loam (CfB), 2 to 8 percent slopes</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Fonda mucky silty clay loam (Fo)</b>	<b>90</b>
<b>Hilton loam (HIB), 3 to 8 percent slopes</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Lairdsville silty clay loam (LbC2) 6 to 12 percent slopes eroded</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ontario loam (OgB), 2 to 8 percent slopes</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Ontario Gravelly loam (OnC), 8 to 15 percent slopes</b>	<b>0</b>

National wetlands inventory map. **Baldwinsville, New York Quad. Wetland A (BAL-14) and Pond B are depicted on the map (along with the two streams that could not be found)**

State/Local wetland inventory map: **Baldwinsville, New York Quad. Wetland A (BAL-14) is depicted on the NYSDEC FWW Map (along with the two streams that could not be found)**

FEMA/FIRM maps: **Community Panel Number 360583 0015 B; Effective Date – January 6, 1982. This map shows Flood Zone B\* along the northern border of the parcel. Flood Zone B is also shown along the two streams that could not be found (described above); which indicates a mapping error.**

**\*Note: Flood Zone B is the limit of the 100-year flood and 500-year flood; or certain areas subject to 100-year flooding with average depths less than one (1) foot where the contributing drainage area is less than one (1) square mile; or areas protected by levees from base flood.**

- 100-year Floodplain Elevation is: (National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929)
- Photographs:  Aerial (Name & Date): **NYS GIS Clearinghouse (2012). This photo clearly shows Pond B; however, there is no evidence of a stream or other flow path from the Pond and no evidence of a stream channel flowing through the central portion of the parcel. A linear water feature is shown on the far western side of the photo beyond the project boundary. It may be that the topo map and the FEMA map inadvertently extended this feature onto the parcel, but this is only speculative. In addition, the aerial photo shows linear features through the vegetation which are mowed trails through the brush to facilitate ATV use and access to hunting blinds and deer stands throughout the parcel.**
  - Other (Name & Date): **Photos submitted with the delineation report depict the various conditions of the aquatic features and upland areas identified on the parcel.**
- Previous determination(s). File no. and date of response letter:
- Applicable/supporting case law:
- Applicable/supporting scientific literature:
- Other information (please specify): **Findings of the JD site visit on October 21, 2015 are detailed in B. 2. above**

**B. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS TO SUPPORT JD:**