Appendix E

Water Resources

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The following attachments are included in this appendix to support the water resources analysis:

- Attachment 1: BWI Marshall Airport Wetland Delineation Report, CRI, February 2, 2023.
- Attachment 2: Stormwater Management Report, HNTB, February 2024.
- Attachment 3: MDE pre-application site visit meeting minutes, Draft, December 14, 2023.
- Attachment 4: MDE Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Pre-Application Summary, December 14, 2023.
- Attachment 5: Email Correspondence with NFIP Regarding Floodplain

Attachment 1:

BWI Marshall Airport Wetland Delineation Report

CRI

February 2, 2023

Water Resources Appendix E

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 2, 2023

TO: Dan Hinder, Maryland Aviation Administration

FROM: Emma Beck, Coastal Resources, Inc.

CC: Kim Hughes, HNTB Corporation

SUBJECT: Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Line of Sight

Project – Waters of the U.S., Including Wetlands, Delineation

1.0 Introduction

Coastal Resources, Inc. (CRI), sub-consultant to HNTB Corporation (HNTB), under contract to the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Aviation Administration (MDOT MAA), has completed a waters of the U.S., including wetlands, delineation at the Baltimore/Washington International (BWI) Thurgood Marshall Airport in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. Field investigations were conducted between October 19, 2022, and December 2, 2022. The study area is a 23.6-acre designated area north of Taxiway F and west of Runway 15R-33L in Hanover, Maryland, (Appendix A). Land use classifications within and adjacent to the study area include forest and commercial. The proposed project occurs within the Patapsco River, Lower North Branch watershed (MDE 8-digit 02130906), within the Coastal Plain physiographic province (MGS, 2008).

MDOT MAA is proposing to remove trees within the study area north of existing Taxiway F that have been identified as obstructions to the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 77 airspace protective surfaces. The Part 77 obstructions were identified for removal under a recent Environmental Assessment (EA) that received a Finding of No Significant Impact/Record of Decision (FONSI/ROD) in November 2020. A portion of the trees within the study area, including Part 77 tree obstructions, will impede line-of-sight (LOS) from the existing/future Air Traffic Control Towers to the future Taxiway F end.

2.0 Methodology

The study area was field investigated to verify previously delineated boundaries and to identify and locate any new boundaries of waters of the U.S., including wetlands (WOTUS). The previous wetland delineation used during the field verification received a jurisdictional determination (JD) from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) in 2000 (see **Appendix F**). The original boundaries of the previously delineated features

reviewed in 2022 are depicted on the Waters of the U.S. (Including Wetlands) Delineation Map (**Appendix B**).

Prior to the field investigation, background information was reviewed, including the previous wetland delineation, United States Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) National Wetland Inventory and Maryland Department of Natural Resources (NWI/MDNR) wetland maps, and the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) Soil Survey Maps for Anne Arundel County, Maryland.

During the field investigation, previously delineated wetlands and new possible wetland areas were assessed in accordance with the Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Atlantic Gulf and Coastal Plain Region, Version 2.0 (USACE 2010). This methodology requires interpretation of a three-parameter approach representing hydrology, vegetation, and soils, which are the main components of a wetland. Soils were sampled using three-inch diameter Dutch augers and Munsell Color charts were used to identify color (Munsell 1975). The wetland indicator status of the observed vegetation was identified using the National Wetland Plant List (NWPL) (Lichvar 2020). Where wetland characteristics were highly similar between systems, CRI used one wetland test plot to characterize similar systems by completing one Wetland Determination Data Form (USACE 2010). Upland test plots were also established in any areas where the wetland boundary was questionable. Any newly identified wetland boundaries or previously delineated wetland boundaries that were delineated or adjusted during the field investigation were surveyed using a Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS) unit. Additionally, stream characteristics were recorded for each identified watercourse on a stream field datasheet (see Appendix E). All identified waters of the U.S., including wetlands, were classified according to a Classification of Wetland and Deep-Water Habitats in the United States (USFWS 1979). Each wetland and watercourse were photographed, and a photo log was compiled (see Appendix D). All datasheets are included in **Appendix E.**

3.0 Results

During the field investigations, eight waters of the U.S., including three streams and five wetlands were identified within the study area. The boundaries of wetlands WL1, WL3, and WL4 changed noticeably from the 2000 delineation, and one area did not meet all three wetland parameters where a previously delineated wetland was mapped. Wetland types included wetlands found on hillslopes and in depressions. Cowardin classifications included palustrine scrub-shrub (PSS) and palustrine forested (PFO). Watercourses were identified as lower perennial (R2), upper perennial (R3), intermittent (R4), and ephemeral. Data were collected at two representative wetland test plots that characterize the identified wetland types and Cowardin classifications. The locations of these resources and test plot locations are shown on the detailed maps provided in **Appendix B**. A brief narrative describing the overall nature of the delineated resources by cover type is included below. Details regarding wetland hydrology, hydrophytic vegetation, and hydric soil indicators observed at each wetland test plot can be found in the Wetland Summary Table located in **Appendix C** and on the datasheets provided in **Appendix E**. Characteristics of each watercourse can be found in **Appendix C**.

PSS Wetlands

Two PSS wetlands were delineated within the study area: WL1 and WL2. Test Plot WL1-WET characterizes these wetlands, which are classified as palustrine scrub-shrub with a seasonally saturated water regime

(PSS1B). Hydrologic indicators observed during the site visit included saturation and dry-season water table. Vegetation met the Dominance Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation, as 57 percent of vegetation within this plot is considered FAC, FACW, or OBL. Dominant species within this plot include black willow (Salix nigra), callery pear (Pyrus calleryana), red maple (Acer rubrum), southern arrow-wood (Viburnum dentatum), common persimmon (Diospyros virginiana), sensitive fern (Onoclea sensibilis), and Japanese honeysuckle (Lonicera japonica). Soils within this wetland are mapped as Patapsco-Fort Mott, which is not considered hydric by NRCS. However, soils in this plot met the Depleted Matrix (F3) and Redox Dark Surface (F6) hydric soil indicators.

PFO Wetlands

Three PFO wetlands were delineated within the study area: WL3, WL4, and WL5. Test Plot WL3-WET characterizes these wetlands, which are classified as palustrine forested with a temporarily flooded/seasonally saturated water regime (PFO1A/B). Hydrologic indicators observed during the site visit included surface water, dry-season water table, and geomorphic position. Vegetation met the Dominance Test for Hydrophytic Vegetation, as 86 percent of vegetation within this plot is considered FAC, FACW, or OBL. Dominant species within this plot include red maple, tuliptree (Liriodendron tulipifera), southern arrow-wood, New York fern (Parathelypteris novaboracensis), Asiatic tearthumb (Persicaria perfoliata), and horsebrier (Smilax rotundifolia). Soils within this wetland are mapped as Patapsco-Fort Mott, which is not considered hydric by NRCS. However, soils in this plot met the Redox Dark Surface (F6) hydric soil indicator.

Watercourse 1

Watercourse 1 (WC1) is Kitten Branch, a lower perennial stream with a cobble, gravel, sand, and mud substrate (R2UB1/2/3) that flows from a culvert at Taxiway F and continues north outside the study area. The channel averages 15 feet wide, with a depth of approximately three feet. During the site visit, the average water depth was 16 inches. Habitat complexity was considered low overall as significant amounts of iron flocculant were observed, however some riffle/pool sequences, a mix of substrates, overhanging vegetation, and some large woody debris were present. Bank erosion was considered moderate overall as there were some areas of severe erosion, but most banks were healed over. Approximately 60 percent of the channel was shaded by woody species.

Watercourse 2

Watercourse 2 (WC2) is an upper perennial stream with a cobble, gravel, sand, mud, and riprap substrate (R3UB1/2/3) that flows west from a culvert into WC1 and abuts WL1. The channel averages three feet wide, with a depth of approximately one and one-half feet. During the site visit, the average water depth was six inches. Habitat complexity was considered low overall as significant amounts of iron flocculant were observed, there were few riffles or shallow pools, and limited large woody debris was present. Bank erosion was considered minor overall as there were a few areas of erosion, but most banks were healed over. Approximately 40 percent of the channel was shaded by woody species.

Watercourse 3

Watercourse 3 (WC3) is an ephemeral and intermittent stream with a mud and sand substrate (R4SB4) that flows east through the study area to a culvert running under Taxiway W. WC3 outlets east of Taxiway W where it continues northeast outside the study area. The channel averages three feet wide, with a

depth of approximately one foot. During the site visit there was no surface flow, but hydric soils were present in the intermittent portion of the channel. Habitat complexity was considered low overall as the channel lacked instream habitat features, was ditched in portions of the ephemeral section, and is subject to flashy, intermittent flows. Bank erosion was considered moderate overall as the channel was incised but had no exposed banks. Approximately 80 percent of the channel was shaded by woody species.

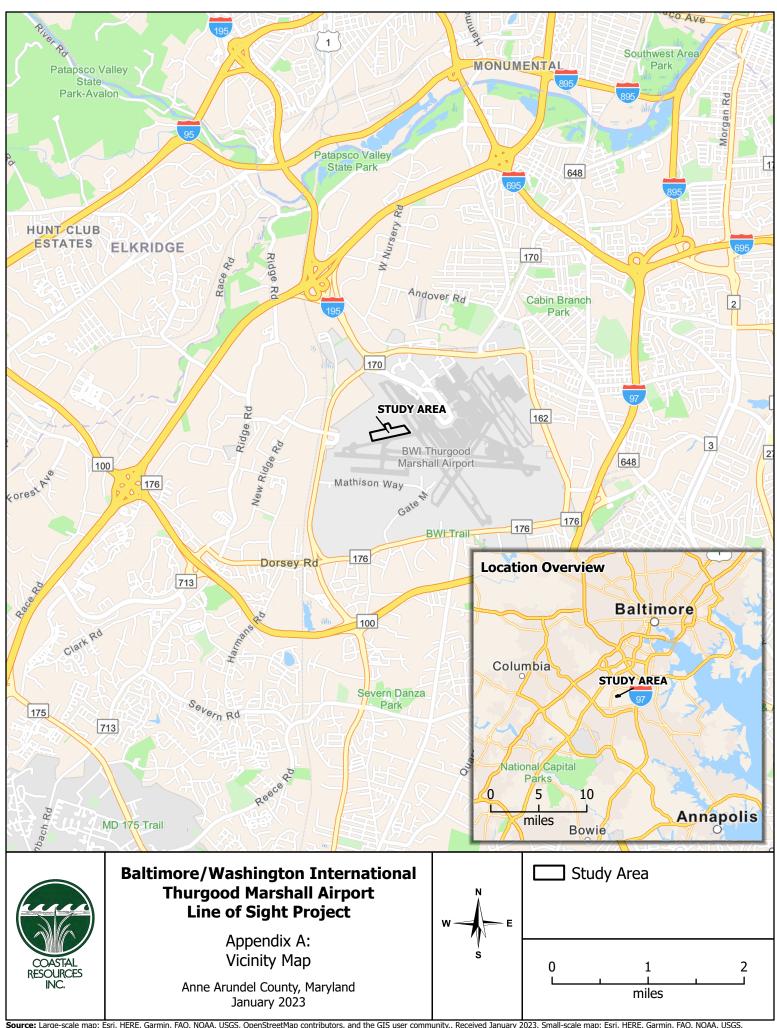
4.0 Conclusions

A total of eight waters of the U.S., including three streams and five wetlands were identified within the study area. Disturbances to these WOTUS systems may require a permit from the USACE and Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE). All wetland boundaries are not considered final until a jurisdictional determination (JD) has been issued by the USACE.

5.0 Literature Cited

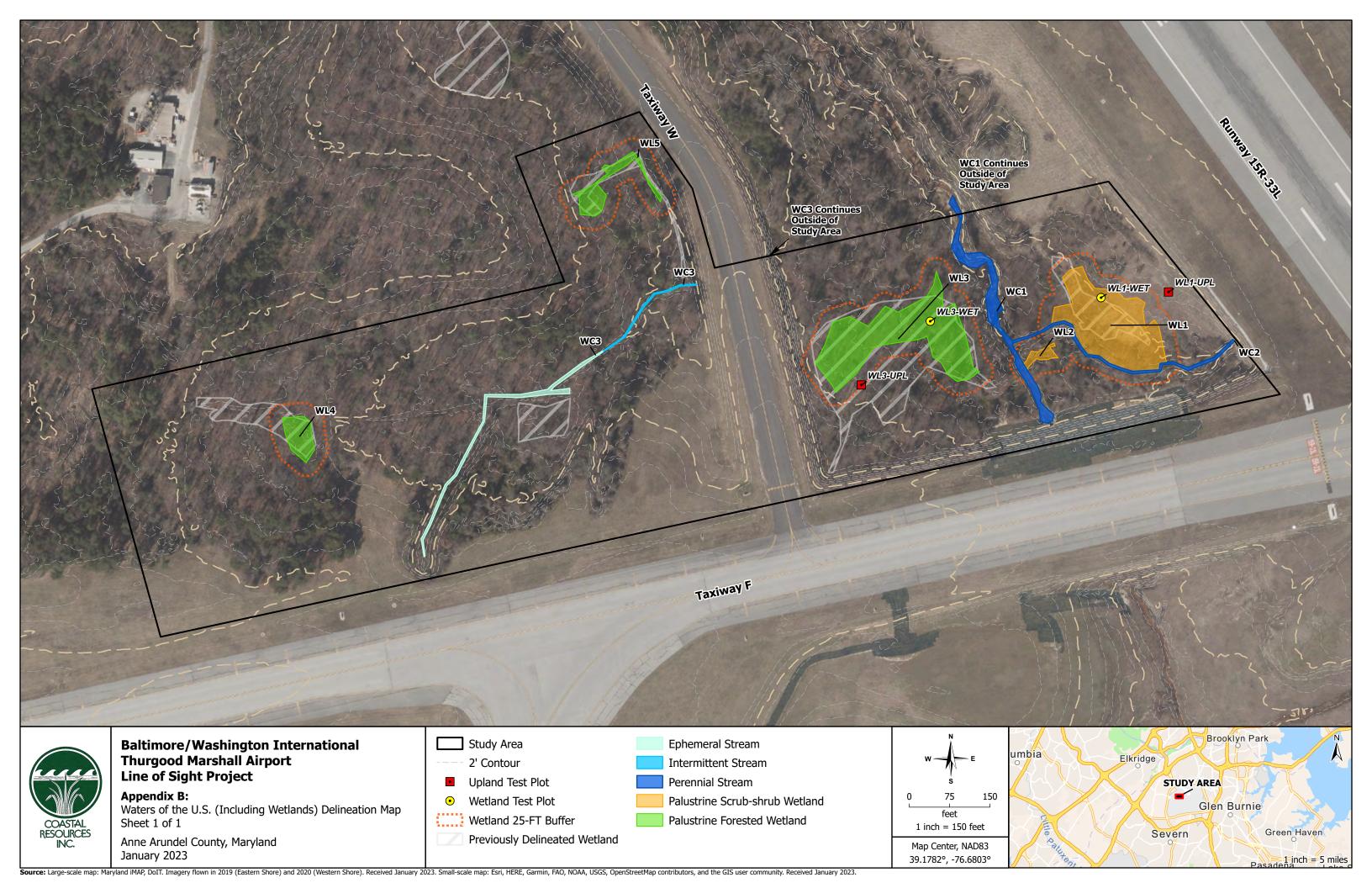
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APPENDIX A: VICINITY MAP



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APPENDIX B: WATERS OF THE U.S., INCLUDING WETLANDS DELINEATION MAP



APPENDIX C: WOTUS SUMMARY TABLES

Appendix C: WOTUS Summary Tables Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Line of Site (LOS) Project

	Watercourse Summary Table									
	.				Ch	annel Characteristic	s			
Watercourse Number	Delineated Length/Area	Cowardin Classification	Nearest Downstream Named Stream	Use Class	Average Channel Width (ft)	Average Channel Depth (ft)	Average Water Depth (in)	Comments		
WC1 (Kitten Branch)	469	R2UB1/2/3	Stoney Run	1	15	3	16	Flows northwest through study area, abuts WL2, manipulated, iron flocculant		
WC2	491	R3UB1/2/3	Kitten Branch	I	3	1.5	6	Flows west to WC1; abuts WL1; manipulated, iron flocculant		
WC3	838	R4SB4 ephemeral	Kitten Branch	I	3	1	0	Flows east to WC1 with an ephemeral upper portion; manipulated		

				Wetland Summary Tab	le				
			Cowardin		Dominant Vegetation				
Wetland Number	Representative Plot ID	Delineated Area (Acres)	Classification (Wetland Type)	Hydrology	Common Name	Scientific Name	Indicator Status	Soils	
WL1 WL2	WL1-WET	0.51 0.03	PSS1B (Hillslope)	Saturation, Dry-Season Water Table	Black willow Callery pear Red maple Common persimmon Southern arrow-wood Sensitive fern Japanese honeysuckle	Salix nigra Pyrus calleryana Acer rubrum Diospyros virginiana Viburnum dentatum Onoclea sensibilis Lonicera japonica	OBL UPL FAC FAC FAC FACW FACU	Patapsco-Fort Mott Complex Redox Dark Surface (F6) 0-8 inches of 10YR3/2 with 5YR3/4 redox concentrations, sandy clay loam	
WL3 WL4 WL5	WL3-WET	0.58 0.08 0.09	PFO1A/B (Depression)	Surface Water, Dry-Season Water Table, Geomorphic Position	Red maple Tuliptree Southern arrow-wood New York fern Asiatic tearthumb Horsebrier	Acer rubrum Liriodendron tulipifera Viburnum dentatum Parathelypteris noveboracensis Persicaria perfoliata Smilax rotundifolia	FAC FACU FAC FAC FAC FAC FAC	Patapsco-Fort Mott Complex Depleted Matrix (F3) 1-6 inches of 2Y6/2 with 5YR5/8 redox concentrations, clay loam Redox Dark Surface (F6) 5-10 inches of 10YR3/1 with 7.5YR3/3 redox concentrations, loamy clay	

APPENDIX D: PHOTOGRAPH LOG

Appendix D: Waters of the U.S. Photograph Log Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Line of Site (LOS) Project

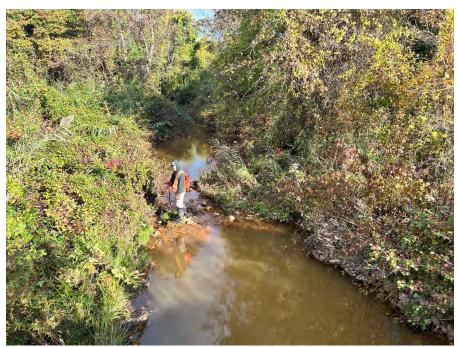


Photo 1. Looking downstream at WC1 (Kitten Branch), a perennial stream located in the central portion of the study area.



Photo 2. Looking upstream at WC1.



Photo 3. Looking downstream at WC2, a perennial stream.



Photo 4. Looking upstream at WC2.



Photo 5. Looking upstream at the intermittent portion of WC3.





Photo 7. Looking east at WL1 and representative PSS test plot WL1-WET.



Photo 8: Looking east at upland test plot WL1-UPL.



Photo 9: Looking west at WL2, a PSS wetland.





Photo 11: Looking east at upland test plot WL3-UPL.





Photo 13: Looking west at WL5, a PFO wetland.

APPENDIX E: WOTUS DATASHEETS

Non-tidal Stream Features Field Datasheet

Date: 10/19 32 Project Site: BU	I LOS		Stream	NID: WCI
Observer(s): EB 55	Photos:	Upstream: _	/	Downstream:
Flow Type:				
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Channel Gradient (%): /- A	erage Bank Slope:	☐ Vertical	☑ 2:1	☐ 3:1 ☐ 4:1 or greater
Channel Has (check all that apply):				
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☑ OHWM/				
d clear, natural line impres				rial vegetation
☐ changes in character of ☐ shelving	SOII	☐ the preser ☐ sediment:		ck line
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the presence of litter and	d debris			
☐ Discontinuous OHWM (explain):				
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Substrate ☐ Bedrock ☐ Rubble	☑ Cobble	☑ Gravel	☑ San	d
☑ Mud ☐ Organic	☐ Vegetated	☐ Other		
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Non-tidal Stream Features Field Datasheet

Date: 10 11 22 Project Site: BWI LOS St	ream ID: WC2
Observer(s): EB, SS Photos: Upstream:	/
Flow Type;	
Justification: A 2" of flow during dry period of year	Classification: R3 URI/2/3
Justification: 27" of flow during dry period of year	11
Channel Characteristics:	
☐ Natural ☐ Artificial (made-made) ☐ Manipulated (ma	an-altered)
Explain: culvert @ US and, reporting throughout	
Channel Gradient (%): 3 -1/ Average Bank Slope: □ Vertical □ 2:	1 🖂 3:1 🗆 4:1 or greater
Channel Has (check all that apply):	
☐ Bed and banks	
☐ changes in character of soil ☐ the presence of ☐ shelving ☐ sediment sorting ☐ vegetation matted down, bent, or absent ☐ scour	d or predicted flow events
☐ Discontinuous OHWM (explain):	
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Hydrological Connectivity: Flow direction: Lest	X 167 (167)
Upstream: Culvut Downstream: WCI Adjace	nt/abutting: Wt 2
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Non-tidal Stream Features Field Datasheet

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☐ Natural ☐ Artificial (made-made	e) Manipulated (man-altered)
Explain: Channel most likely man-	made or manipulated to direct surface
Channel Gradient (%): 5% Average Bank	Slope: ☑ Vertical ☐ 2:1 ☐ 3:1 ☐ 4:1 or greater
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☑ Bed and banks	
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☐ Discontinuous OHWM (explain):	
Avg. Channel Width: 3 Depth:	// Avg. Water Depth:
Hydrological Connectivity: Flow direction:	
Upstream: None Downstream:	Outside SA Adjacent/abutting: WL5
Substrate: ☐ Bedrock ☐ Rubble ☐ Cob	ble ☐ Gravel ☐ Sand
☐ Mud ☐ Organic	etated Other
Habitat Complexity (characterize): Poor, Lacks	instream habitat features +
subject to flashy, inter	mittent flows
Bank Erosion: Severe Moderate	, □ Minor / / / /
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Pollutants (field observations, potential sources, storme	water outfalls, etc.): Airfield Aunoff
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Wildlife Observations: None	
Riparian Zone:	
Describe (forest, residential yard, emergent wet	
Right bank: Forest	Left bank: ForesT
Riparian Buffer Width: 10.01	Approximate Shading by Woody Species (%): 80
Dominant species: LTU, NYSY, VI	DE, SMRD, ACRU
Other Comments:	

oject/Site: BWI LOS Project . City/County:_	Anne Arunda Sampling Date: 10/11/122
710 51	State: MD Sampling Point: WLI-WET
vestigator(s): EB, 55 Section, Town	
	ncave, convex, none): Convex Slope (%) 5
bregion (LRR or MLRA): MLRA 149A Lat: 39. 178575	Long: -76.677151 Datum: NAD 830
il Map Unit Name: Patapsco-Fort Mott Complex, 5-107	Slopes NWI classification: NA
e climatic / hydrologic conditions on the site typical for this time of year? Yes	No (If no, explain in Remarks.)
e Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology significantly disturbed? \(\)	Are "Normal Circumstances" present? Yes No
e Vegetation, Soil, or Hydrology naturally problematic? \(\Lambda	. [10] 10 H.
UMMARY OF FINDINGS – Attach site map showing sampling	point locations, transects, important leatures, etc.
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High Water Table (A2) Marl Deposits (B15) (LRR U)	Drainage Patterns (B10)
Saturation (A3) Hydrogen Sulfide Odor (C1)	, Moss Trim Lines (B16)
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Sediment Deposits (B2) Presence of Reduced Iron (C4)	Crayfish Burrows (C8)
Drift Deposits (B3) Recent Iron Reduction in Tilled Sc	45 in
Algal Mat or Crust (84) Thin Muck Surface (C7)	Geomorphic Position (D2)
Iron Deposits (B5) Other (Explain in Remarks)	Shallow Aguitard (D3)
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includes capillary fringe) Describe Recorded Data (stream gauge, monitoring well, aerial photos, previous ins	pections), if available:
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Remarks	

VEGETATION (Four Strata) - Use scientific names of plants.

Sampling Point: WLI - WET

Tree Stratum (Plot size:)	Absolute Dominant Indicator % Cover Species? Status	Dominance Test worksheet:
1. Jalik night	8 V OBL	Number of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: (A)
2 typus Callergera 3 Acar publim	8 UPL 12 FAC	Total Number of Dominant Species Across All Strata;(B)
4		Percent of Dominant Species That Are OBL, FACW, or FAC: 57 (A/B)
6		Prevalence Index worksheet:
7 B		Total % Cover of: Multiply by:
	28 = Total Cover	OBL species x 1 =
50% of total cover.	20% of total cover: 5, 4	FACW species x 2 =
Sepling/Shrub Stretum (Plot size: 30		FAC species x 3 =
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Robus 50	10 11	UPL species x 5 =
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Diuseyson Virginiana	25 / FAC	Prevalence Index = B/A =
Dynus Callery was	5 UPL	Hydrophytic Vegetation Indicators:
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7,		2 - Dominance Test is >50%
3		3 - Prevalence Index is ≤3.01
50% of total cover: 2	8.5 20% of total cover:	Problematic Hydrophylic Vegetation [†] (Explain)
Herb Stratum (Plot size: 30')	I FACW	Indicators of hydric soil and wetland hydrology must
2. Onvelea sensibility	13 / FACIAL	be present, unless disturbed or problematic.
3 Solidaze altosita	5 FACU	Definitions of Four Vegetation Strata:
Lurian Joseph	10 FACU	Tree - Woody plants, excluding vines, 3 in. (7.6 cm) or
5		more in diameter at breast height (DBH), regardless of height.
5		Sapling/Shrub - Woody plants, excluding vines, less than 3 in. DBH and greater than 3.28 ft (1 m) tall.
). 		Herb - All herbaceous (non-woody) plants, regardless of size, and woody plants less than 3.28 ft tall.
0		Woody vine - All woody vines greater than 3.28 ft in height.
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	3 = Total Cover	
	5 20% of total cover: 6.2	
Woody Vine Stratum (Plot size: 30')		
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Remarks: (If observed, list morphological adaptations be	elow).	

Sampling Point: WLI-WET

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Memorandum	Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport Line of Sight Project
	APPENDIX F: 2000 USACE Jurisdictional Determination



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY BALTIMORE DISTRICT, U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 1715 BALTIMORE, MD 21203-1715

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Operations Division

Subject: CENAB-OP-RMN (MAA/BWI/AOA/JD) 00-62835-12

Maryland Aviation Administration Attn: Ms. Barbara Grey PO Box 8766 BWI Airport, Maryland 21240-0766

Dear Ms. Grey:

I am replying to your request for a jurisdictional determination (JD) and verification of the delineation of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands, for the Aircraft Operations Area located at Baltimore/Washington International Airport.

A field inspection was conducted on March 11, 2000. This inspection indicated that the delineation of waters of the United States, including jurisdictional wetlands, on the drawing enclosed with your request accurate with the changes noted on the enclosed maps dated June 8, 2000. Those areas indicated as waters of the United States, including non-tidal wetlands are regulated by this office pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act. Enclosed is a document that outlines the basis of our determination of jurisdiction over these areas.

Please note that on March 28, 2000, an administrative appeals process was established for JDs. Enclosed is a JD appeals form that can be used if you believe the JD you received warrants further review. You may accept this JD, submit new information seeking reconsideration of the JD or appeal the JD. If you accept the JD, you do not need to notify the Corps. A JD will be reconsidered if you submit new information or data to the Baltimore District Engineer (DE) within 60 days from the date of this letter. If you decide to appeal the approved JD, please submit the attached form within 60 days from the date of this letter to our Division Engineer at the following address:

Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers North Atlantic Division Building 301 Fort Hamilton Military Community Brooklyn, NY 11252-7600.

If we do not hear from you within 60 days, we will consider this JD accepted by you. This approved JD is valid for five years

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from the date of issuance unless new information warrants a revision before the expiration date.

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

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Mr. Steve Elinsky of this office at (410) 962-4503.

Sandra A. Zelen

Enforcement Program Manager

Enclosure

BASIS OF JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION

Date: June 8, 2000

Applicant: Maryland Aviation Administration File No.: 200062835

1. The jurisdictional determination outlined in the attached letter was based on the following:
A. There are no Waters of the United States present at the site. B. The Waters of the United States present at the site are currently used, or were used in the past, or may be susceptible to use in interstate of foreign commerce. This includes waters which are subject to the ebb and flow of the tide. C. The Waters of the United States at the site are interstate waters, including interstate wetlands. D. The Waters of the United States at the site are other waters such as intrastate lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams, mudflats, sand flats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes or natural ponds containing a nexus to interstate commerce).
The nexus to interstate commerce consists of: recreational or other purposes fish or shellfish industrial or commercial purposes habitat for migratory birds or game birds or wildlife commercial saleable timber products sand, gravel, oil, gas or other commodities of commerce other
E. The Waters of the United States present at the site contain impoundments of waters otherwise defined as Waters of the United States
F. The Waters of the United States present at the site are part of a tributary system to waters identified in B-E above.
G. The Waters of the United States present at the site are part of the territorial seas.
H. There are wetlands present at the site which are adjacent to waters identified in B-G above.
2. The lateral extent of the Waters of the United States, including wetlands at the site identified on the accompanying map was based on one or more of the following:
✓ A. The presence of wetlands has been determined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers 1987 Wetlands Delineation Manual and guidance supporting the manual.
B. Wetland parameters including hydrology, hydric soils and hydrophytic vegetation.
C. Ordinary high water mark, mean high water mark, high tide line, mean high tide line.
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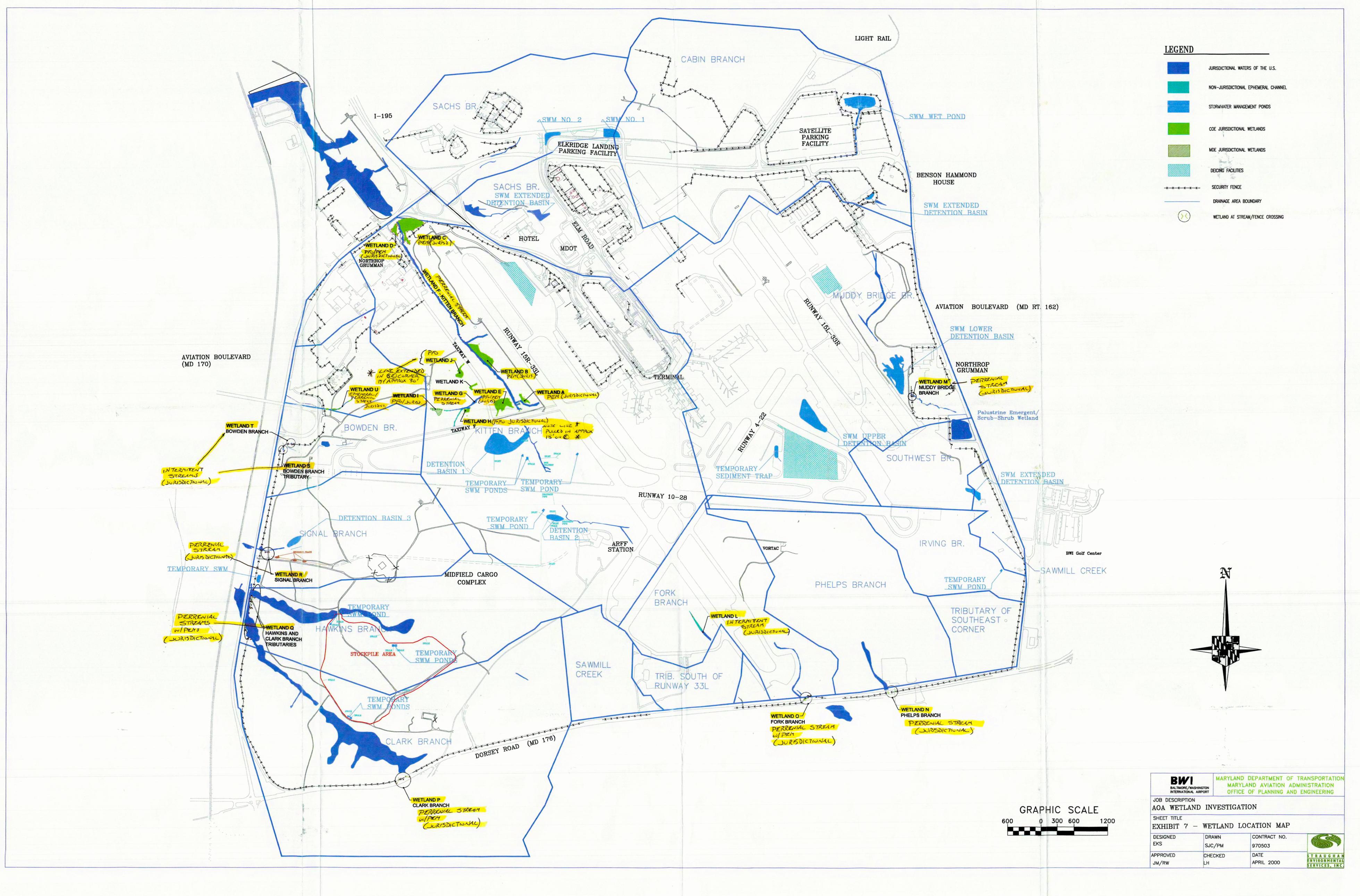
NOTIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL OPTIONS AND PROCESS AND REQUEST FOR APPEAL

Applicant: Maryland Aviation Administration	File Number: 200062835	Date: June 15, 2000
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APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION		D
PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION		E

SECTION I - The following identifies your rights and options regarding an administrative appeal of the above decision. Additional information may be found at http://usace.army.mil/inet/functions/cw/cecwo/reg 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 engineer for final
 authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
 signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
 to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations (JD) associated with the
 permit.
- OBJECT: If you object to the permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may request that the permit be modified accordingly. You must complete Section II of this form and return the form to the district engineer. Your objections must be received by the district engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice, or you will forfeit your right to appeal the permit in the future. Upon receipt of your letter, the district engineer will evaluate your objections and may: (a) modify the permit to address all of your concerns, (b) modify the permit to address some of your objections, or (c) not modify the permit having determined that the permit should be issued as previously written. After evaluating your objections, the district engineer will send you a proffered permit for your reconsideration, as indicated in Section B below.
- B: PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or appeal the permit,
- ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final
 authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
 signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
 to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- APPEAL: If you choose to decline the proffered permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you
 may appeal the declined 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:
- 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 60 days of the
 date of this notice, means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.
- APPEAL: If you disagree with the approved JD, you may appeal the approved JD under the Corps of Engineers Administrative
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 received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- 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 OBJECTION	ONS TO AN INITIA	L PROFFERED PERMT
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If you have questions regarding this decision and/or the appeal process you may contact: Sandy Zelen Regulatory Branch Baltimore District P.O. Box 1715 Baltimore, MD 21203-1715 (410) 962-6028 or 3670	If you only have questic you may also contact: North Atlantic Division CON-OPS Division, Res Building 301 Fort Hamiltion Military Brooklyn, NY 11252-76 (718) 491-8728	gulatory Branch Community
RIGHT OF ENTRY: Your signature below grants the right of entry to consultants, to conduct investigations of the project site during the coday notice of any site investigation, and will have the opportunity to	ourse of the appeal proces	ss. You will be provided a 15
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JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION
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Attachment 2:

Stormwater Management Report

HNTB

February 2024

Final Environmental Assessment for Proposed Airport Traffic Control Tower and Associated Improvements at BWI Marshall Airport

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Stormwater Management

1 Introduction

BWI Marshall Airport is located within two watersheds: the Baltimore Harbor watershed (Maryland 8-digit watershed number 02130903) and the Patapsco River Lower North Branch watershed (Maryland 8-digit watershed number 02130906). The Airport sits on a low peak in the landscape. Several small intermittent and ephemeral streams have their sources on the Airport, draining radially from the center. Most of the headwaters of these streams have been graded over or incorporated into the Airport drainage system as the Airport has developed and expanded over the years.

Portions of the site draining to the west are collected in Stony Run and Piny Run, which flows north into the non-tidal portion of the Lower North Branch of the Patapsco River. Portions draining to the north are collected in Cabin Branch which flows eastward into the tidal Patapsco River, which is part of the Baltimore Harbor watershed. Drainage to the south and east are collected in Sawmill Creek which also flows into the tidal Patapsco River, part of the Baltimore Harbor watershed.

BWI Marshall Airport is broken into subwatersheds named after the streams and tributaries which collect runoff from that area. The proposed projects analyzed as part of the Proposed Action Alternative in this Environmental Assessment (EA) fall within two subwatersheds: Kitten Branch and Muddy Bridge Branch.

- **Kitten Branch** drainage area includes the terminal area, western sides of Runways 15R-33L and 10-28, surrounding paved taxiways and a forested area north of Runway 10-28. Kitten Branch is within the Patapsco River Lower North Branch watershed and drains to Stony Run.
- Muddy Bridge Branch drainage area includes the northeast portion of the airport, including Runway 15L-33R and portions of the main terminal. Muddy Bridge Branch is within the Baltimore Harbor watershed and drains to Sawmill Creek.

MAA has developed and maintains the *BWI Marshall Airport Stormwater Institutional Management Plan* (IMP). The IMP includes an Existing Conditions and Future Conditions report, which analyze stormwater runoff quantities by subwatershed. The latest Existing Conditions IMP was approved in January 2015. The Future Conditions report provides conceptual best management practice (BMP) designs for future proposed projects to meet Maryland stormwater regulations for quality and quantity. The latest Future Conditions IMP was approved in June 2017. As part of the IMP, MAA maintains water quality credit tables by subwatershed at BWI Marshall. Many subwatersheds have water quality credits available which could be used to meet stormwater management requirements for future projects. The water quality credit summary tables are constantly updated as new projects are designed. **Table 1** summarizes the water quality credits available within Kitten Branch and Muddy Bridge Branch as of 12/7/23.

Table 1: Water Quality Credits Available by Watershed

Subwatershed	Water Quality Credits (acres)	Excess Capacity ¹ (acres)
Muddy Bridge Branch	24.43	
Kitten Branch	28.01	2.12

Notes: ¹Excess capacity (acres)

Kitten Branch: 1.7 (IT60), 0.69 (Pond B7)

Source: MDE approved water quality credit tables as of 12/7/23.

2 Proposed Development by Watershed

The sub-sections that follow review the potential stormwater management needed to meet MDE regulations for the proposed projects, including consideration of the viability of water quality control using various environmental site design (ESD) practices and best management practices (BMP). Ultimately water quality and quantity control to meet MDE regulations will be a requirement to receive approval of each project.

Stormwater treatment requirements for the projects are determined in accordance with MDE's *Stormwater Management Guidelines for State and Federal Projects*. Redevelopment projects require treatment of the first 1" of rainfall for 50% of the redeveloped area and new development requires treatment of 100% of the net impervious surface. Treatment requirements are based on preliminary engineering estimates of changes in impervious areas and limits of disturbance. Concepts for stormwater quality and quantity management are discussed by project, including use of ESD practices, structural BMPs, and water quality credits. Per MDE regulations, proposed projects on existing impervious surfaces are considered maintenance if they would not alter the existing grading or drainage patterns. Subject to MDE review, redevelopment of existing pavement may qualify as maintenance and would be exempt from stormwater management requirements.

2.1 ATCT, FAA Staffing Offices, and Hotel

The footprint for the proposed ATCT, FAA staffing offices, and hotel, as part of the C-D Connector and ATCT Program, are located within both Kitten Branch and Muddy Bridge Branch.

- *Kitten Branch*: The existing terminal building between Concourses C and D, and the C-D apron area immediately adjacent drain west through stormwater pipes in Kitten Branch. These stormwater pipes outfall into open drainage swales southwest of the intersection of Runways 10-28 and 15R-33L, before draining into Pond B7 and ultimately into the headwaters of Kitten Branch.
- Muddy Bridge Branch: Concourse D and the majority of the C-D apron area drains southeast
 through stormwater pipes in Muddy Bridge Branch. These stormwater pipes outfall into Pond B15
 which ultimately drains into Pond B12 before draining into open swales to the point of
 investigation (POI).

While the proposed projects are located entirely within existing impervious area, the projects would more than likely alter drainage patterns due the layout of the existing drainage system and its location at the watershed border of Kitten Branch and Muddy Bridge Branch. Therefore, 50% of the redeveloped impervious surface would require stormwater treatment.

While design has not been completed, a conservative assumption would be that the proposed C-D Connector and ATCT Program projects (with adjacent apron reconstruction included) would include a footprint of approximately 2.5 acres, or 108,900 SF. As a redevelopment project, this would result in an impervious area requiring treatment (IART) of 1.25 acres.

Due to the lack of available space for ESD or structural BMPs in the terminal and apron area, water quality credits would likely need to be used to meet treatment requirements. Both Kitten Branch (28.01 acres) and Muddy Bridge Branch (24.43 acres) have adequate water quality credits available.

Additionally, assuming the project results in a shift in drainage boundaries, stormwater design would also require an update to the watershed models (TR-55 and TR-20) to show that an increase in watershed area does not result in adverse effects to downstream BMPs and the watershed POI. However, if existing

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drainage patterns are maintained, and subject to MDE review, redeveloped impervious may not require updates to the watershed models.

2.2 Part 77 and LOS Obstruction Removal

The Part 77 and LOS obstruction removal project includes removal of vegetative obstructions in the forested area north of Runway 10-28 and west of Runway 15R-33L. Provided that the tree removal would not include grading that alters drainage divides, the project would not be subject to MDE stormwater management requirements.

2.3 Supplemental ATCT Upgrades

The supplemental ATCT upgrades are internal to the existing ramp tower structure, would not result in ground disturbance and therefore would not be subject to MDE stormwater management requirements.

2.4 Connection to Airfield Lighting Vault

The construction of a utility duct bank connecting the airfield lighting vault (ALV) to the end of Concourse D would be within Muddy Bridge Branch. This project would likely qualify for a MDE stormwater 3.3A waiver which typically applies to maintenance projects, landscaping projects, and underground utility projects where the disturbed area will be returned to existing condition and will result in no hydrologic change.¹

3 Summary

While the proposed projects analyzed in this EA would not result in any increase in impervious areas, stormwater management and erosion and sediment controls would still be required in accordance with MDE regulations. Due to the location of the terminal area projects, stormwater management requirements would likely be met through use of available water quality credits.

The projects do not directly impact any existing stormwater BMPs, however impacts on downstream BMPs would need to be assessed during stormwater design for projects that may alter drainage boundaries.

¹ MDE Stormwater Management and Erosion & Sediment Control Guideline for State and Federal Projects, February 2015, Section 3.3.A.

https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/StormwaterManagementProgram/Documents/SWM%20and%20ESC%20Guidelines%20for%20State%20and%20Federal%20Projects%20FEB%202015.pdf

Attachment 3:

MDE pre-application site visit meeting minutes

December 14, 2023



Baltimore/Washington Thurgood Marshall International Airport

Air Traffic Control Tower and Taxiway F Part 77 Obstructions and Line-of-Sight Project

Meeting Date: December 14, 2023

Location: BWI – Thurgood Marshall Airport

Meeting Purpose: Joint Permit Application Pre-Application Meeting Minutes

Attendees			
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Meeting Summary

Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) met with the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) to discuss the proposed Part 77 and Line-of-Sight (LOS) obstruction removal project associated with the new Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) and relocation of Taxiway F included in the new Environmental Assessment to be submitted in 2024.

Maps of the proposed impacts were distributed and the work to be completed was described. There are two areas north of Taxiway F and east and west of Taxiway W where trees will be removed. In the area east of Taxiway W, individual trees identified as Part 77 obstructions will be felled with chainsaws and left to decay where they land. West of Taxiway W, the area will be cleared of all woody vegetation with the exception of the forested wetland where MAA would only remove the trees identified as obstructions.

USACE asked if any earth disturbance would be done during this project. MAA stated there would not. USACE explained that MAA would not need a permit from USACE to complete this work. However, if MAA wanted a letter from USACE stating that a permit is not required, they would provide one once the JPA is submitted.

After reviewing the mapping, MDE stated that based on the mapping, impacts to the forested wetlands could likely be a conversion impact. CRI asked how to determine if the percent cover of trees removed within the wetland would result in a conversion impact. After reviewing the project area in the field, MDE recommended determining the basal area within the forested wetlands without counting the trees proposed for removal. If the basal area within the wetland

remains greater than or equal to 60 square feet, the wetlands are considered stocked forests and would not be considered a conversion impact.

On December 18, 2023, CRI completed the basal areas and calculated an average basal area of 77 square feet, not including the trees proposed for removal, within the wetland east of Taxiway W. However, the basal area within the wetland west of Taxiway W equaled 30 square feet when the trees proposed for removal were not included, which would result in a conversion impact of 3,485 square feet. Because this impact is less than 5,000 square feet, mitigation is not required. MAA emailed MDE on December 18th asking to confirm that the project would still qualify for a letter of authorization. MDE's response is pending.

Attachment 4:

MDE Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways

Pre-Application Summary

December 14, 2023



Serena McIlwain, Secretary Suzanne E. Dorsey, Deputy Secretary

Nontidal Wetlands and Waterways Pre-Application Summary 2 8 6 6 1. AI#: 2. **Date:** Time: Cheryl Kerr 3. Summary prepared by: Dan Hinder, MAA 4. Attendees: Emma Beck, Coastal Resources, Inc. April Sparkman, US-ACOE (present for meeting and not for field) Hanifah Parker-Morison, Waterway Construction, MDE Jeff Thompson, Chief-Nontidal Wetlands, MDE 5. Property owner name: Maryland Aviation Administration (MAA) 6. Address or Site Location/Description (directions, if no physical address is available): Baltimore/Washingto International Thurgood Marshall Airport Line-of-Sight Project 7. Project purpose: Review overall project purpose and goals, table-top discussion of project and project scope review, then walked the area of proposed work to review delineation and review scope of work on-site 8. *Plans provided*: Yes No 9. **State regulated resources found:** Yes Landscape Mgmt Area NTW Type: PEM NTW Buffer Critical Area Tidally Influenced Waters of the State: Stream Floodplain 11. **Delineation provided:** 12. Avoidance/Minimization Discussed? Recap: Trees protruding into the potential flight hazard zone must be removed for maintenance of flight safety. During the site visit we reviewed the wetland delineation, looked at the tress that are scheduled to be removed to determine if their removal would impact the classification of the wetlands and we looked at the streams. In all cases with the exception of one forested nontidal west of Taxiway W, trees removed will not change the characterization of the forest. During the site visit Jeff Thompson recommended MAA conduct a basal area calculation to determine if the removal of trees will change the basal area such that the area is rendered not as a forest. Wetland WL4 did not meet the basal area test and the removal of the necessary trees will change the wetlald from a forested state to a scrub-shrub state.

13. Project, as described, would require Authorization: Yes ✓ No			
If Yes, type of State authorization required:			
Permit Letter of Authorization Authorization to Proceed			
If Yes, project (as described or shown on plans) under the MDSPGP would be:			
Category A Category B Individual Permit			
* U.S. ACE categorization is a preliminary determination only and may change upon receipt of application or further consultation with the U.S. ACE staff or other resource agencies			
14. Recommended Action (check all that apply):			
Consult with Corps Submit Application Schedule follow-up meeting			
No action required Other			
Pre-App Site Visit Comments:			
flight safety zones will not change the component of the forest stands of the PFO nontidal wetlands with the exception PFO nontidal wetland WL4 based on a basal area survey. Tree removal of trees in WL4 will convert the nontidal wetalnd from PFO status to PSS status. The area of this wetland is 0.08 acres (3,485 square feet) and will require authorization by the State and an MDSPGP-6 authorization by the Corps (issued by the State for the Corps). Please submit 7-copies of the Joint Permit Application for review by the Department.			
Maryland Department of the Environment Reviewer Contact Information:			
Name Cheryl Kerr Email cheryl.kerr@maryland.gov			
Telephone (410)537-3911			
*This document is a summary of the items discussed. Please note that this information is based on MDE staff preliminary cursory review at the time of the preapplication meeting. MDE staff will perform a full review of the project and all available information at the time of the application submission. Additional information may be required.			
Applicant/Consultant Signature: DHinder Digitally signed by Drinder Div. DC-midate, DC-midate, DC-maa, OU-maa, O			

Attachment 5:

Email Correspondence with NFIP Regarding Floodplain

May 14, 2024

From: Walker, Genevieve J (FAA)

To: <u>Kim Hughes</u>

Subject: Confirmation on Forested floodplains not an issue

Date: Thursday, May 23, 2024 2:29:32 PM

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For your appendix.

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From: Matthew V Smith -MDE- <matthewv.smith@maryland.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2024 8:51 AM

To: Walker, Genevieve J (FAA) < Genevieve. J. Walker@faa.gov>

Subject: Re: Thank you for the chat yesterday

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Do not click on links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Good Morning Genevieve,

Yes, if you have other runway projects located in the floodplain, elevation is not necessary and it's preferable that they are resurfaced basically at grade. But to be thorough, please let me know if you have any additional projects like this one so we can coordinate and ensure that all the NFIP provisions are met. Case in point...the minor language in Mary's staff report that could have changed the implications of the hanger and its design.

As for BWI, and other tree removal projects, Dave is correct in that tree removal is not a concern per the NFIP. However, depending on the jurisdiction, Maryland does have the Forest Conservation Act which regulates the amount of forest that can be cleared without mitigation. For typical development projects, the developer/engineer would have to prepare a Forest Stand Delineation and subsequent Forest Conservation Plan prior to the clearing of any forest. I'm not sure who would have jurisdiction on a project such as BWI, whether it would be Anne Arundel County or MD-DNR. I can make a few inquiries for you to see if I can get clarity on that issue. I've prepared many a FSD/FCP in my day. I'm not sure about the question regarding the tree removal and dropping/leaving versus removal. That's a better question for the local forest conservation planner or DNR. In some cases, "downed woody debris" is considered good wildlife habitat; in other cases, it's viewed as potential wildfire fuel.

Finally, you can call or email me anytime with questions about the NFIP or other environmental issues and I'll do my best to assist with the answers. My background includes wetlands, stream restoration, forestry, Phase I ESA's, hazard mitigation, and even new cell tower permitting through FAA and FCC.

Hope to chat again soon!!

Take care and have a great week.

Thanks,

Matt