

Practice One for Environmental Law I – Fall 2008

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Under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers makes tens of thousands of regulatory decisions every year that affect the use of private property containing “waters of the United States.” We will work with two different scenarios, both applications to the Corps of Engineers for the fill of wetlands, raising issues related to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, the Endangered Species Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act. The scenarios are based on actual proposals for the residential/commercial development of private property in Kentucky and Michigan. The student will assess the client’s intentions for the property, advise the client as to the appropriate federal regulatory process, counsel the client regarding difficult issues that may arise, and interact with the government on particular issues. The course will be graded on a pass-fail basis and students will be evaluated based on oral and written exercises, as well as classroom participation.