

# ASFO NEPA DOCUMENT ROUTING SHEET

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Project Title: G P Gypsum Road and Buried Telephone Line Assignment, AZA-23206

Project Lead: Linda Barwick

Date that concurrent, electronic distribution for review was initiated: December 15, 2006

Deadline for receipt of responses: December 22, 2006,

**This is a quick turn-around so they can begin using the road to get to the gypsum plant**

## Required Reviews:

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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
ARIZONA STRIP FIELD OFFICE  
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW

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**PROJECT TITLE:** G P GYPSUM Right-of-Way Assignment, AZA-23206

**PROJECT LEAD:** Linda Barwick

**PROPOSED ACTION** The proposed action is to process an assignment of an existing road right-of-way and buried telephone line from Robert M. McGarvie. The road is 40 ft. by 640 ft. The term of the grant would be the same as the original grant, 30 years, terminating September 27, 2018 and would be renewable. EA No. AZ-010-88-014 was conducted for the original grant.

G P Gypsum had originally requested a right-of-way (AZA-33677) to upgrade an existing road for access between Interstate 15 and their leased state. Before their right-of-way was approved,

G P Gypsum had negotiated with Robert M. McGarvie to have the McGarvie right-of-way assigned to G P Gypsum.

No additional area would be authorized by this assignment.

**LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The right-of-way to be assigned is located within area legally described as:

Gila and Salt River Meridian, Mohave County, Arizona  
T. 41 N., R. 13 W.,  
sec. 01, SENE.  
Containing 0.63 acre, more or less.

**PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW:** The proposed action has been reviewed for conformance with the Arizona Strip District Resource Management Plan, as amended. The proposed action **is** in conformance with the RMP. Decision **LR16** provides to evaluate individual Rights-of-Way on a case-by-case basis with National Environmental Policy Act analysis.

**CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW:** The proposed action is categorically excluded under 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4. **E(9)** which provides for renewals and assignments of leases, permits or rights-of-way where no additional rights are conveyed beyond those granted by the original authorizations.

The proposal has been reviewed to determine if any of the exceptions described in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply. Surname(s) verify completion of this review by appropriate specialists.

**NAME**                      **LIST OF EXCLUSION CRITERIA** *Assign surnames for determination under each below*

LBarwick    1. The proposal would have no adverse effects on public health or safety: *Identify the effect if any*

TFolks        2. The proposal would not adversely affect unique geographic characteristics such as park, recreation, or refuge lands, wilderness areas, wilderness study areas, wild and scenic rivers, sole or principal drinking water aquifers, prime farmlands, wetlands, floodplains, or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the Department's National Register of Natural Landmarks: *Identify the area that would be affected if any*

- JHerron 3. The proposal would have no adverse effects on historic or cultural resources: *Identify the effect if any*
- LBarwick 4. The proposal would have no highly controversial environmental effects: *Identify the effect if any*
- LBarwick 5. The proposal would have no highly uncertain or potentially significant environmental effects nor does it involve unique or unknown environmental risks: *Identify the effect if any*
- LBarwick 6. The proposal would not establish a precedent for future action or represents a decision in principle about a future consideration with potentially significant environmental effects: *Identify the effect if any*
- LBarwick 7. The proposal is not directly related to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant effects: *Identify the other actions and their effects if any*
- JHerron 8. The proposal would not adversely affect properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places: *Identify the effect if any*
- LHughes 9. The proposal would not adversely affect a plant species listed or proposed to be listed on the list of endangered and threatened species, nor have adverse effects on designated critical habitat for these species: *Identify the species and effect if any*
- MHerder 10. The proposal would not adversely affect an animal species listed or proposed to be listed on the list of endangered and threatened species, nor have adverse effects on designated critical habitat for these species: *Identify the species and effect if any*
- MHerder 11. The proposal would not require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management) or Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands). *Identify the order and effect if any*
- MHerder 12. The proposal would not require compliance with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act: *Identify the effect if any*
- GBenson 13. The proposal does not threaten to violate a federal, state, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment: *Identify the law and effect if any*
- LFord 14. The proposal is in conformance with the Arizona Strip District Resource Management Plan/ Environmental Impact Statement (January, 1992)

**DECISION:** We have reviewed this plan conformance and NEPA compliance record and have determined that the proposal is in conformance with the approved land use plan, that it would have no significant environmental effects, and that no further environmental analysis is required.

**REVIEWED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Environmental Coordinator - Arizona Strip

*IT IS MY DECISION TO IMPLEMENT THE PROPOSAL, AS DESCRIBED, WITH THE STIPULATIONS IN THE ATTACHMENT.*

**APPROVED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Field Manager - Arizona Strip

**STIPULATIONS FOR  
G-P Gypsum Assignment AZA-23206**

The following stipulations are in effect and will be required for future maintenance of the buried telephone line and road. Mitigation measures are as follows:

1. Notwithstanding the expiration of this instrument or any renewal thereof, early relinquishment, abandonment, or termination, the provisions of this instrument, to the extent applicable, shall continue in effect and shall be binding on the holder, its successors, or assign, until they have fully satisfied the obligations and/or liabilities accruing herein before or on account of the expiration, or prior termination, of the grant.
2. The holder shall conduct all activities associated with the construction, operation, and termination of the right-of-way within the authorized limits of the right-of-way.
3. This grant is issued subject to the holder's compliance with all applicable regulations contained in Title 43 Code of Federal Regulations part 2800.
4. Upon grant termination by the authorized officer, all improvements shall be removed from the public lands within 90 days.
5. Each grant issued for a term of 20 years or more shall, at a minimum, be reviewed by the authorized officer at the end of the 20<sup>th</sup> year and at regular intervals thereafter not to exceed 10 years. Provided however, that a right-of-way granted herein may be reviewed at any time deemed necessary by the authorized officer.
6. Failure of the holder to comply with applicable law or any provision of this right-of-way grant shall constitute grounds for suspension or termination thereof.
7. The holder shall perform all operations in a good and workmanlike manner so as to ensure protection of the environment and the health and safety of the public.
8. The holder shall permit free and unrestricted public access to and upon the right-of-way for all lawful purposes except for those specific areas designated as restricted by the authorized officer to protect the public, wildlife, livestock, or facilities constructed within the right-of-way.
9. The map set forth as Exhibit A, dated December 18, 2006, attached hereto, is incorporated into and made a part of this assignment.
10. Holder shall maintain the right-of-way in a safe, usable condition, as directed by the authorized officer.
11. At no time shall vehicle or equipment fluids be dumped on public lands. All accidental spills must be reported to BLM and be cleaned up immediately, using best available practices and requirements of the law. All spills of federally or state listed hazardous materials which exceed the reportable quantities shall be promptly reported to the appropriate state agency and the Arizona Strip Field Officer.
12. Stipulations from the original grant will become a part of this assignment and will be binding upon the assignee.

13. Any surface, or sub-surface archaeological, historical, or paleontological remains not covered in the CRPR discovered during use shall be left intact; all work in the area shall stop immediately and the BLM Office Field Manager for the Arizona Strip (435)688-3323 shall be notified immediately. Commencement of work shall be allowed upon clearance by the BLM Office Field Manager in consultation with the Archaeologist.

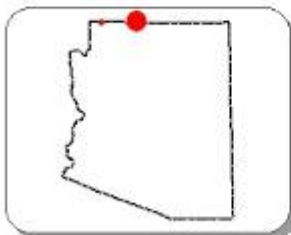
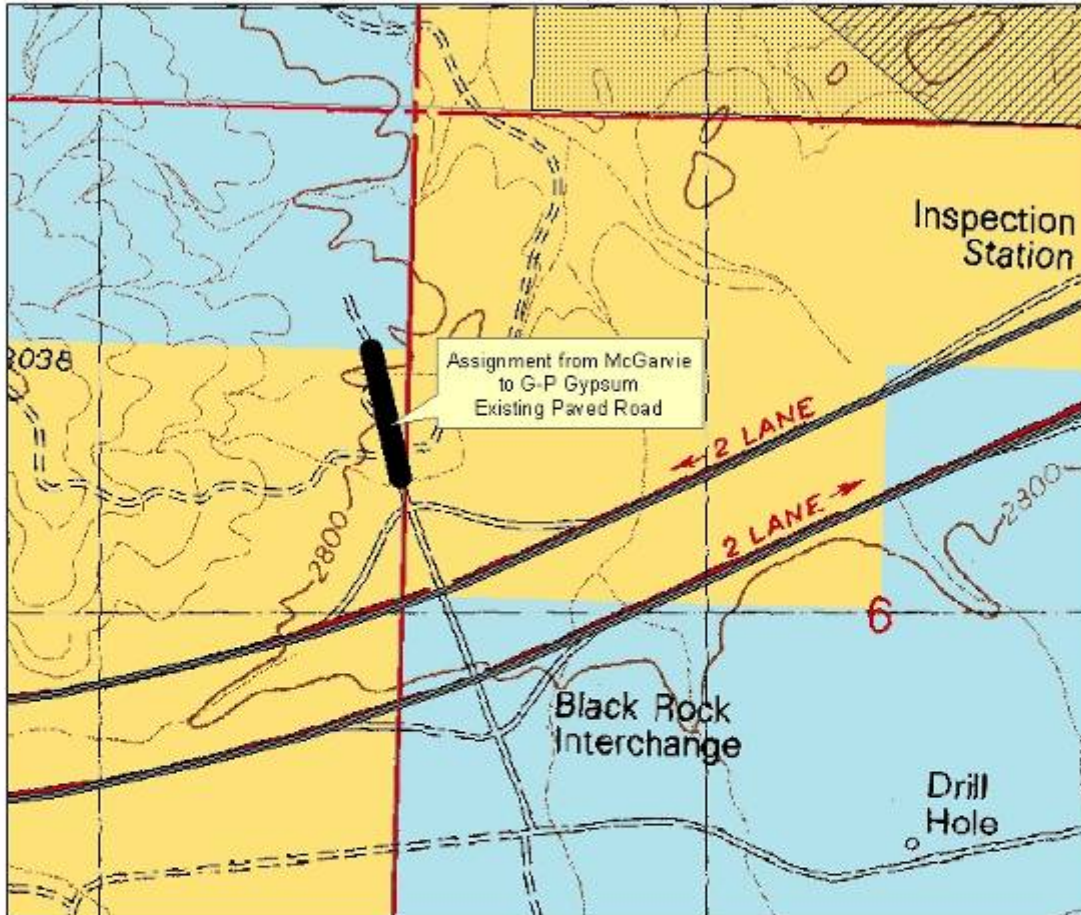
An additional archaeological survey shall be required in the event the proposed project location is changed, or additional surface disturbing activities are added to the project after the initial survey. Any such survey would have to be completed prior to commencement of the project.

If in connection with operations any human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects or objects of cultural patrimony as defined in the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (P. L.101-601; 104 Stat. 3048; 25 U.S.C. 3001) are discovered, the proponent shall stop use in the immediate area of the discovery, protect the remains and objects, and immediately notify the Office Manager. The proponent shall continue to protect the immediate area of the discovery until notified by the Authorized Officer that operations may resume.

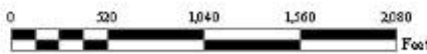
14. There is potential for the spread of noxious and invasive weeds from equipment contaminated with weed seed and/or biomass. To reduce this potential, the BLM requires the following measures be taken: The operator will thoroughly power wash and remove all vegetative material and soil before transporting equipment to the work site to help minimize the threat of spreading noxious and invasive weeds. This includes trucks, trailers, and all other machinery. The operator shall be responsible for the eradication of noxious weeds on disturbed areas within the limits of the work site during the contract period. The holder is responsible for consultation with the authorized officer and local authorities for implementing acceptable weed treatment methods. Any use of chemical treatments will be made using only chemicals approved in BLM's EIS, by a state certified applicator who will abide by all safety and application guidelines as listed on the product label and Material Data Safety Sheet (MSDS). Any reclamation efforts requiring seeding will be done with certified, weed-free native seed.

15. Use of herbicides shall comply with the applicable Federal and state laws. Herbicides shall be used only in accordance with their registered uses and within limitations imposed by the Secretary of the Interior. Prior to the use of herbicides, the holder shall obtain from the authorized officer written approval of a plan showing the type and quantity of material to be used, weed(s) to be controlled, method of application, location of storage and mixing areas, method of cleansing and disposing of containers, and any other information deemed necessary by the authorized officer. Emergency use of herbicides shall be approved in writing by the authorized officer prior to such use.

GP GYPSUM ROAD ASSIGNMENT A-23206



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- HolmgrenMilkvetchCH
- Bureau of Land Management
- Native American Reservation
- National Park Service
- Private
- State
- US Forest Service



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Map created on December 18, 2006

**CAUTION:**  
Land ownership data is derived from less accurate data than the 1:24,000 scale base map. Therefore, land ownership may not be shown for parcels smaller than 40 acres and land ownership lines may have plotting errors due to source data.  
No warranty is made by the Bureau of Land Management for the use of the data for purposes not intended by the BLM.