

# ASDO NEPA DOCUMENT ROUTING SHEET

NEPA Document Number: CX-AZ-110-2008-045

Project Title: Beaver Dam/Littlefield District Landscaping Permit

Project Lead: Linda Barwick

Date that any scoping meeting was conducted:

Date that concurrent, electronic distribution for review was initiated: 07/17/2008

Deadline for receipt of responses: 08/7/2008

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Discretionary Reviewers:

*(insert names and titles of any additional reviewers recommended by Project Lead, Manager(s), Environmental Coordinator, or from scoping meetings)*

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### A. Background

BLM Office: Arizona Strip Field Office Lease/Serial/Case File No.: AZA-30974

Proposed Action Title/Type: Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District Landscaping Permit Renewal

Location of Proposed Action: T. 41 N., R. 15 W., sec. 33, SW corner of Lot 13, 0.4 acres.

Description of Proposed Action: As provided by 43 CFR 2920, the Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District has requested a renewal of their land use permit for landscaping on a small triangular shaped tract of public land between the fire station and the Beaver Dam Elementary school access road off of County Highway 91 (see Attachment 1). Under the proposed action, the land use permit would be renewed and would include the permit stipulations shown in Attachment 3.

### B. Land Use Plan Conformance

Land Use Plan Name: Arizona Strip Field Office Resource Management Plan

Approved/Amended: January 29, 2008

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decision(s): Decision MA-LR-06 states that individual land use authorizations (ROWs, permits, leases, and easements) will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis in accordance with other RMP provisions and NEPA compliance. In addition, the proposed action does not conflict with other decisions in the LUP.

### C. Compliance with NEPA:

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.9, Appendix 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."

This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The proposed action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 516 DM2 apply (see Attachment 2).

### D. Signature

Authorizing Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Lorraine M. Christian  
Title: Field Manager

### Contact Person

For additional information concerning this CX review, contact Linda Barwick, Land Law Examiner, AZ Strip Field Office, 345 E. Riverside, St. George, UT 84790, (435)688-3287.

## Attachment 2

### EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES REVIEW AND CHECKLIST

IMPORTANT: Appropriate staff should review the circumstances listed below, and comment for concurrence. Rationale supporting the concurrence should be included where appropriate.

EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES	YES/NO & RATIONALE (If Appropriate)	STAFF
Does the proposed action...		
1. Have significant impacts on public health and safety?	NO	LBarwick
2. Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness or wilderness study areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds (Executive Order 13186); and other ecologically significant or critical areas?	NO	DHawks/ KJensen/ LHughes
3. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)]?	NO	LFord
4. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?	NO	LFord
5. Establish a precedent for future action, or represent a decision in principle about future actions, with potentially significant environmental effects?	NO	LFord
6. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?	NO	LFord
7. Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the Bureau or office?	NO	JHerron
8. Have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species?	NO	LHughes/ KJensen
9. Violate a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?	NO	GBenson
10. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898)?	NO	LFord
11. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners, or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007)?	NO	GBenson
12. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area, or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?	NO	LWalker

# DECISION MEMORANDUM

**CX-AZ-110-2008-045**

## **Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District Landscaping Permit Renewal**

U.S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Land Management  
Arizona Strip Field Office

### **Approval and Decision**

Based on a review of the project described in the attached Categorical Exclusion documentation and field office staff recommendations, I have determined that the project is in conformance with the Arizona Strip Field Office Resource Management Plan (approved 2008), and will not cause appreciable damage or disturbance to the public lands or their resources, and is categorically excluded from further environmental analysis. It is my decision to approve the action as proposed.

### **Administrative Review or Appeal Opportunities**

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4 and the attached Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed at the Arizona Strip Field Office, 345 East Riverside Drive, St. George, Utah 84790, within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

In accordance with 43 CFR 2920.2-2(b), this decision remains in effect pending appeal unless a stay is granted. If you wish to file a petition (pursuant to regulation 43 CFR 4.21 (58 FR 4939, January 19, 1993) (request) for a stay (suspension) of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision and to the Interior Board of Land Appeals and to the Office of the Solicitor (Department of the Interior, Office of the Field Solicitor, Sandra Day O'Connor U.S. Court House #404, 401 West Washington Street SPC44, Phoenix, AZ 85003-2151) (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulation, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

#### Standards for Obtaining a Stay

1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
2. The likelihood of the appellant's success on the merits,
3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

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Lorraine M. Christian  
Field Manager  
Attachment: Form 1842-1

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Date

## Attachment 3

### Permit Stipulations for Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District Landscaping Permit

#### Weeds

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 holder 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 holder is responsible for the eradication of noxious weeds within the permit area throughout the term of the permit. 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 Vegetation Treatments Using Herbicides on Bureau of Land Management Lands in 17 Western States Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (November 2005), 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.

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.

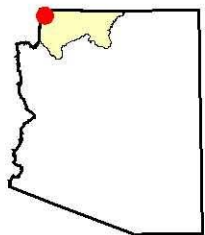
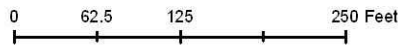
#### Archaeology

Any surface or sub-surface archaeological, historical, or paleontological remains not covered in the CRPR discovered during use, new construction, or additions shall be left intact; all work in the area shall stop immediately and the authorized officer shall be notified immediately. Recommencement of work shall be allowed upon clearance by the authorized officer in consultation with the archaeologist.

If in connection with use, any human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects or objects of cultural patrimony are 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 holder shall stop use in the immediate area of the discovery, protect the remains and objects, and immediately notify the authorized officer. The holder shall continue to protect the immediate area of the discovery until notified by the authorized officer that use may resume.

#### Desert Tortoise

Should any tortoise be seen in the permit area, the authorized officer will be notified immediately.



## Attachment 1 Beaver Dam/Littlefield Fire District Landscaping Permit AZA-30974



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Arizona Strip Field Office

*Legend*

- Bureau of Land Management
- Private

CAUTION: Land ownership data is derived from less accurate data than the 1:24000 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.