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**U.S. Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management
Kremmling Field Office
P.O. Box 68
Kremmling, CO 80459**

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION

A. Background

BLM Office: Kremmling Lease/Serial/Case File No.: N/A

Number: DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0048-CX

Proposed Action Title/Type: Kremmling Bunkhouse

Location of Proposed Action: T. 1 N., R. 80 W., Sec. 17: NW¼NW¼

Lots 11, 12, 13, Blk. 19, Frontier Investment Company's Addition to the Town of Kremmling

Description of Proposed Action:

The BLM bunkhouse located in Kremmling, Colorado has been determined to be un-inhabitable due to the presence of asbestos and lead and structural problems. BLM applied for and received American Recovery and Rehabilitation Act (ARRA) funds to demolish and rebuild a bunkhouse for the Kremmling Field Office seasonal workforce. The contract would require demolition of the old building and construction of the new building that would consist of 10-12 sleeping areas and associated bathrooms, laundry room, living area and large kitchen area. There would be one ADA bedroom and bathroom. The building would be built with as much energy efficiency as possible. The landscaping would include a parking area, concrete patio and a drip system for shrubs.

Land Use Plan Conformance

Land Use Plan Name: Kremmling Resource Management Plan (RMP), Record of Decision (ROD)

Date Approved: December 19, 1984; Updated February 1999

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for.

B. Compliance with NEPA:

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 2, Appendix 1, Departmental Exclusions, pursuant to 516 DM 2, Appendix 1 section 1.7, Routine and continuing government business, including such things as supervision, administration, operations, maintenance, renovations, and replacement activities having limited context and intensity (e.g., limited size and magnitude or short-term effects).

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.

INTERDISCIPLINARY REVIEW:

Name	Title	Area of Responsibility	Date Review Completed
Bill Wyatt	Archaeologist	Cultural	9/15/09
Megan McGuire	Wildlife Biologist	T&E Species and Wildlife	8/11/2009
Paula Belcher	Hydrologist	Soil, Air, Water	9/15/09
Pete McFadden	Acting Field Manager	NEPA	9/15/09

C. Signature

Authorizing Official: /s/ Peter McFadden Date: 9/15/09
(Signature)

Name: Peter McFadden
Title: Acting Field Manager

Contact Person

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Outdoor Recreation Planner

DECISION RECORD
CX #DOI-BLM-CO-120-2009-0048-CX

DECISION: It is my decision to authorize the Proposed Action as described in the attached CX.

This decision is in compliance with the Endangered Species Act, National Historic Preservation Act, and the Clean Water Act. This decision is also in conformance with the LUP and other applicable laws, regulations and policies.

This action is listed in the Department Manual as an action that may be categorically excluded. I have evaluated the action and have determined that it does not represent an extraordinary circumstance and is, therefore, categorically excluded from further environmental analysis.

RATIONALE: The proposed action was chosen to better assist the Kremmling Field Office with the completion of proposed targets and funded field work by being able to offer affordable housing to a seasonal workforce.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL: /s/ Peter McFadden

DATE SIGNED: 9/15/09