

NEPA COMPLIANCE RECORD FOR CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX)
CX-NM-510-2007-0011
Chaves County Road Department
NM-114141

BLM Office: Roswell Field Office

Proposed Action Title/Type: Mineral Materials Sale (Caliche) from a Existing Mineral Materials Pit

Location of Proposed Action: T. 5 S., R. 27 E., NMPM
Sec. : 17, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$

Description of Proposed Action: Chaves County Road Department has expressed a need for 40000 LCY of mineral materials (caliche). The material is to be obtained from an existing pit and is to be used for Chaves County Road Maintenance.

Part I: Plan Conformance Review

The proposed action is in accordance with the approved Roswell Resource Management Plan (RMP), and is consistent with existing Bureau policy and guidance and with actions analyzed in the Programmatic Oil and Gas Environmental Assessment (NM 060-81-088).

The proposed action is consistent with State and local government programs, plans, zoning, and applicable regulations. The land is suitable for the proposed use and would not result in any undue or unnecessary environmental degradation.

Part II: NEPA Review

This proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4, F (10). It has been reviewed and none of the exceptions described in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply.

/s/ Jerry Dutchover 10/20/07
Jerry Dutchover, Geologist Date

/s/ Irene M. Gonzales 10/20/07
Irene M. Gonzales Date
Environmental Coordinator

III. Decision

I have reviewed the proposed action and have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with existing Bureau policy and guidance and that the action is categorically excluded from NEPA documentation. It is my decision to implement the proposed project subject to BLM Standard Terms and Conditions for Mineral Material Sites.

Compliance and Monitoring: The construction phase of this proposed action and subsequent operational phases will be monitored as per regulation.

/s/ Larry D. Bray 10/20/07
Larry D. Bray Date
Assistant Field Manager
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