Categorical Exclusion Documentation

A. Background

BLM Office: Eugene District

Categorical Exclusion Number: DOI-BLM-OR-E000-2010-0001

Proposed Action Title/Type: Eugene District ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) Projects – Facilities maintenance and renovation

Land Use Allocation(s): Administratively withdrawn.

Locations and Descriptions of Actions:

ARRA Project Name	Project Location	Project Description
Shotgun Park Waterline Replacement	Shotgun Recreation Site: Marcola, Oregon	The existing asbestos-cement waterline will be removed and replaced with a high density polyethylene pipe, or equivalent, to eliminate hazardous maintenance issues and reduce maintenance costs. Through a process of excavation and underground boring, the waterlines will be replaced with new pipes.
Huckleberry Communication Site Upgrade	Huckleberry Communication Site, T. 24 S., R. 1 W., Sec 6	The existing building has been damaged by winter storms. The building will be replaced and the solar system will be upgraded. A security fence will be installed around the building.
Eugene District Facilities Upgrades	Tyrell Seed Orchard: Lorane, Oregon Shotgun Recreation and Maintenance Sites: Marcola, Oregon Triangle Lake Maintenance Site: Triangle Lake, Oregon Walton Maintenance Site, Walton, Oregon White Creek Maintenance Site, Cottage Grove, Oregon	Tyrell Seed Orchard: replace water heater and the heating, ventilation and cooling (HVAC) system, replace roof on the administration building, install new potable water well. Shotgun Recreation Site: replace HVAC system water heater, and administrative building roof. Triangle Lane, Walton, and Shotgun Road Maintenance Sites: Replace damaged sections of security fences. White Creek Maintenance Site: Replace damaged sections of the security fence and conduct and analysis and upgrade of the potable water system.

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Tyrrell Seed Orchard Pollen Lab Replacement	Tyrell Seed Orchard: Lorane, Oregon	The existing lab is a potential fire hazard due to the type of construction, electrical wiring, and age. The building will be demolished and replaced with a new building designed for seed and pollen processing operations.

B. Land Use Plan Conformance:

Land Use Plan Name: Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan (1995 ROD/RMP)
Date Approved**:** June 1995
Date Amended: The 1995 RMP was amended in July 2007 as documented in the Record of Decision to Remove the Survey and Manage Mitigation Measure Standards and Guidelines from Bureau of Land Management Resource Management Plans within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl.

The proposed action is in conformance with the LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following direction in the ROD/RMP on page 6 of the ROD.

The ROD allows for the implementation of various administrative actions required to serve the public and to provide optimum use of resources. "They include, but are not limited to; permits or sales for traditional or special forest products; competitive and commercial recreation activities; lands and realty actions, including the issuance of grants, leases, and permits and resolution of trespass, **facility maintenance**; law enforcement and hazardous material removal or mitigation; enforcement and monitoring of permit stipulations.

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 2, Appendix 1.7, which allows for "Routine and continuing government business, including such things as supervision, administration, operations, maintenance, renovations, and replacement activities having limited context and intensity (eg. limited size and magnitude or short-term effects).

Categorical Exclusions: Extraordinary Circumstances Review

Table 1: Categorical Exclusions: Extraordinary Circumstances Review		
Will the Proposed Action documented in this Categorical Exclusion	Yes	No
2.1/ Have significant impacts on public health or safety?		**No**
2.2/ Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as: historic or cultural resources, park, recreation or refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, national natural landmarks, sole or principal drinking water aquifers, prime farmlands, wetlands, floodplains, national monuments, migratory birds, other ecologically significant or critical areas?		**No**

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Will the Proposed Action documented in this Categorical Exclusion	Yes	No
2.3/ Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA section 102(2) (E)]?		**No**
2.4/ Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?		**No**
2.5/ Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?		**No**
2.6/ Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects?		**No**
2.7/ 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**
2.8/ 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**
2.9/ Violate a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?		**No**
2.10/ Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898)?		**No**
2.11/ 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**
2.12/ 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**

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 (see Table 1, above) apply.

D. Signature:

Authorized Official: s/Virginia Grilley Date: 10/13/09
Name: Virginia Grilley
Title: Eugene District Manager

Contact Person: For additional information, contact Emily Rice, Natural Resource Specialist,

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Decision Record

Based on the attached Categorical Exclusion Documentation OR-E000-2010-0001, I have determined that the proposed action, Eugene District Economic Stimulus Projects involve no significant impacts to the human environment and requires no further environmental analysis.

It is my decision to implement these projects as soon as practicable, as described in the attached Categorical Exclusion Documentation OR-E000-2010-0001.

Implementation: This project will be implemented as soon as practicable.

Contact Person: For additional information concerning this CX review, contact Emily Rice , Natural Resource Specialist, (541) 683-6776.

Authorized Official: s/Virginia Grilley Date: 10/13/09erice
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Eugene District Manager