

Categorical Exclusion Documentation

Department of the Interior
Bureau of Land Management, Spokane District
1103 North Fancher Road
Spokane Valley, WA 99212

A. Background

BLM Office: Spokane District

Lease/Serial/Case File No.: WAOR-55910

NEPA Log Number: OR-135-2010-0019-CX

Proposed Action Title: Vern Guenther Road Right-of-Way Renewal

Location of Proposed Action: Willamette Meridian, Stevens County, Washington, T.30N.,R.38E., Section 9: Portion of Lot 5 and NW¹/₄NW¹/₄.

Description of Proposed Action: The original right-of-way grant was issued in August of 2000. The proposed action is to grant a renewal right-of-way over an existing road to access the applicant's adjacent land. The road is located in T30N., R38E., Section 9, Portion of Lot 5, NW¹/₄NW¹/₄. The road is used for 1 to 5 years for commodity hauling, land management activities, and for ingress and egress. The road is approximately 30 feet wide and 865 feet in length for a total of 0.6 acres. No new rights will be issued or new ground disturbance approved as a result of this administrative action. The term of the grant will be 30 years.

Refer to attached Exhibit-A map.

B. Land Use Plan Conformance

Land Use Plan Name: Spokane Resource Management Plan

Date Approved/Amended: Approved 1987/Amended 1992

Option 1 (conforms with LUP): The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decision(s):

OR

(Option 2: not explicitly provided for in the LUP) The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following LUP decision(s) (*objectives, terms, and conditions*): The proposed action is subject to the Spokane District Resource Management Plan (1985) and Record of Decision (1987), and the 1992 RMP amendment and Record of Decision (ROD). Issuance of rights-of-way grants is listed under the heading "Administrative Actions" on page 5 (unnumbered) of the 1992 ROD.

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.E(9) 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 43 CFR 46.215 apply, as shown in the following table:

CX EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES DOCUMENTATION The proposed categorical exclusion action will:	YES	NO
(a) Have significant impacts on public health or safety.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) 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 (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2)(E)].	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(e) Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(g) Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by either the bureau.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(h) 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.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i) Violate a Federal law, or a State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(j) Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(k) 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).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(l) 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).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

F: Signature

 \s\ June Hues
(Authorizing Official Signature)

 8/31/2010
(Date)

Name: June E. Hues
Title: Border Field Manager

G. Contact Person

For additional information concerning this CX review, contact Heidi Lee Honner, 509-536-1216.

Note: A separate decision document must be prepared for the action covered by the CX.

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**IN REPLY REFER TO:
WAOR-55910**

May 10, 2010

Memorandum

To: R. Bailey, B. Benner, J. Lowe

Thru: Border Field Manager

From: Mark Hatchel/Heidi Lee Honner

Subject: Determination of Processing Time & Clearance Request-**Guenther Road Right of Way Renewal**

We received an application from Vern Guenther, son of Fred Guenther, representing the Guenther Family. The Vern Guenther is applying to renew the right-of-way for the existing road to their property. The original right-of-way grant was issued in 2000. The right-of-way is approximately 865 feet long and 30 feet wide. No new rights will be issued or new ground disturbance approved as a result of this administrative action. The term of the grant will be 30 years. To determine the processing fee amount, and to estimate the time required to process the application, please provide the following by **May 28, 2010**:

1. Is a FIELD examination required?

Yes (If so, when: Month Calendar Year. Reason: _____)
 No

2. WHEN can a final decision or clearance be provided:?

Month Calendar Year
 No additional work needed, consider my initials as my clearance for this project to proceed.
(Initials)

3. How many Hours (including travel) will be required to produce your final product? _____

Please provide by E-mail or memorandum any stipulations you may wish to be included in the authorization.

Please reference serial number *WAOR-55910 - Renewal* on all documents.

*****Please return a completed copy of this form for the case file by the requested date.**

If no further action is needed please initial the CX cover sheet located in the NEPA project folder. A copy of the attached map is also located in the project folder in the NEPA working directory. A GIS project is located in the project folder under the new GIS workspace location:

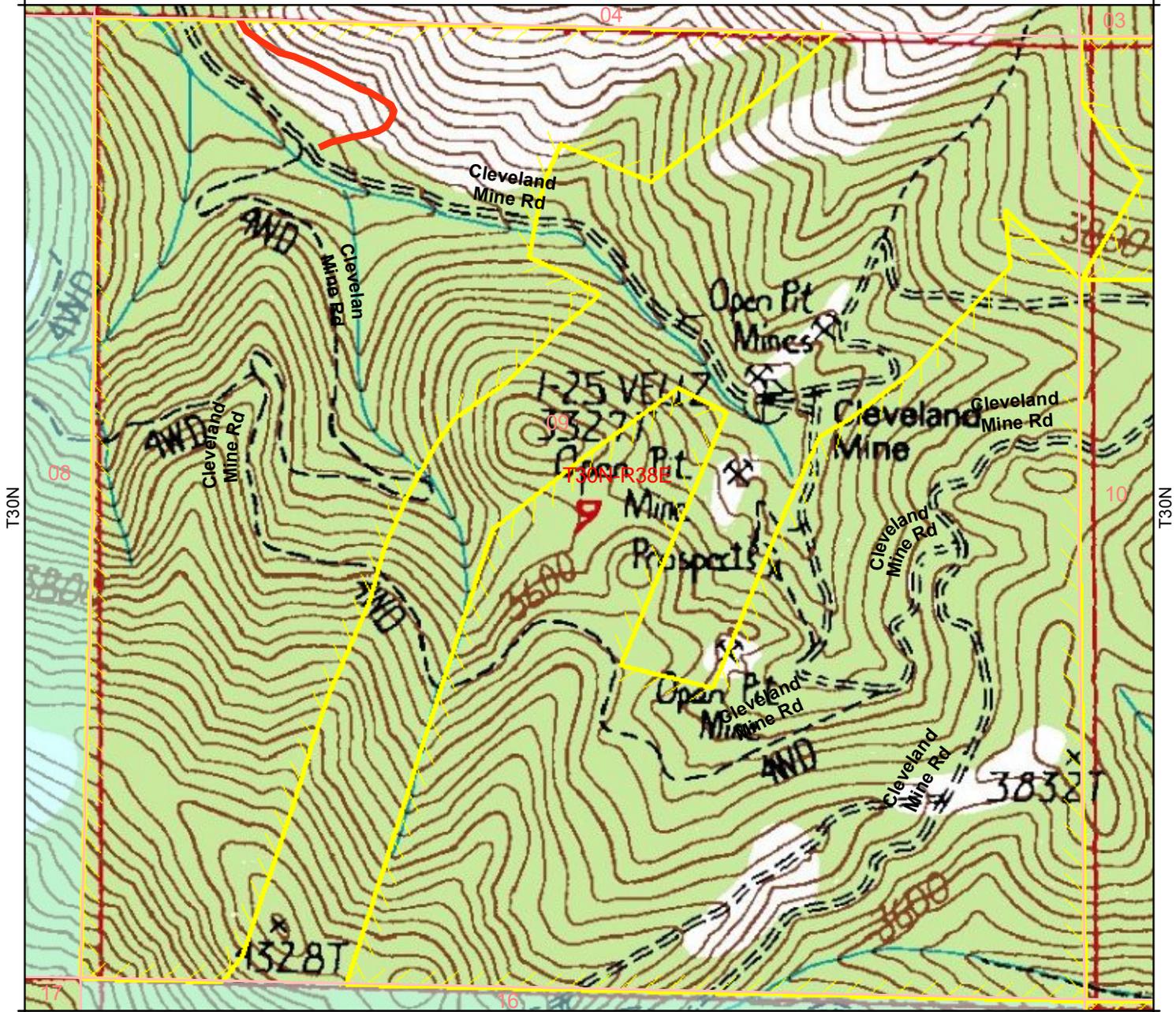
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Thank you for your help.

Exhibit A

Guenther Road Right-of-Way Renewal - WAOR-55910

R38E



T30N

T30N

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Scale
1:10,000

Willamette Meridian, Stevens County, Washington
T.30 N., R.38E., Section 9,
Portion of Lot 5, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$.
(30 feet wide right-of-way, 865 feet long)



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Legend

-  Guenther Road
-  BLM Lands
-  WA DNR

Project Area

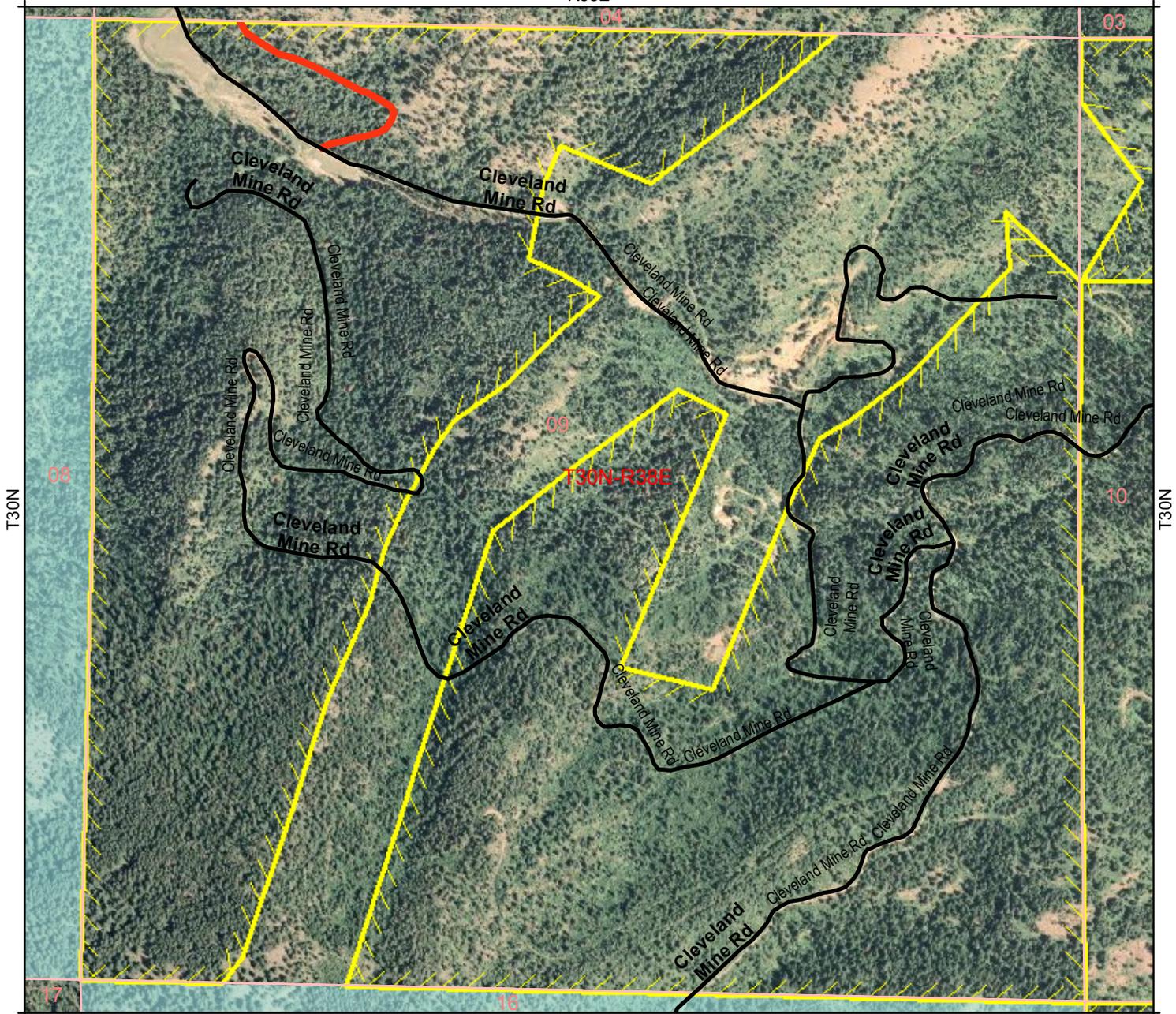


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Exhibit A

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2006 NAIP Imagery



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