



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Project Title IA-County-Scott

Location: County Scott IA

Proposed Action or Project Description: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

1) Development and implementation of energy efficiency initiative/strategy (Scott County Community Sustainability Assessment and Plan); 2) residential and commercial building audits; 3) installation of an approximately 82-ton, closed-loop geothermal ground source heat pump system at the Scott Emergency Communications Center; approximately 70 wells to approximately 300 ft; a permit will be obtained from Iowa Department of Natural Resources; and 4) procure and install lamps and ballasts at Scott County Courthouse.

Conditions: None

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A9, A11, B2.5, B5.1

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR 10.21

This action would not: threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including DOE and/or Executive Orders; require siting, construction, or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but may include such categorically excluded facilities; disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources (including but not limited to those listed in paragraph B.(4)) of Appendix B to Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021). Furthermore, there are no extraordinary circumstances related to this action that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the action; this action is not "connected" to other actions with potentially significant impacts, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts, and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession (or attached) concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under DOE Order 451.1B), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class(es) of action, the other regulatory requirements set forth above are met, and the proposed action is hereby categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

ORO NEPA Compliance Officer

James L. Elmore

Date Determined:

3/28/2012

Comments:

Webmaster: