



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



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

Project Title OK-TRIBE-CHOCTAW NATION OF OKLAHOMA

Location: Tribe OK-TRIBE-CHOCTAW NATION OF OKLAHOMA OK

Proposed Action or Project Descriptio

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

The Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma proposes to 1) hire a recycling coordinator and other recycling collection staff; lease a recycling facility; purchase necessary equipment (compactor/bailers, forklift tractor, scales, etc.); conduct a review and analysis of materials generated by Phase I facilities/activities; develop an initial recycling program to process Phase I materials; and after Phase I materials are processed, begin planning to expand the Choctaw Recycling Program to other facilities, Choctaw Tribal members, and the general southeastern Oklahoma community; 2) conduct building retrofits on the North Tribal Administration Building (convert lighting to more energy efficient lighting, replace windows, install occupancy sensors, install vending machine energy miser controls, and install UPCs on computers); Chocktaw Nation Durant Day Care/Community Center (retrofit/replace HVAC units and install additional insulation); and conduct additional building retrofits consisting of removal and re-installation of lighting in the Talihina, Oklahoma Boys & Girls Club; 3) hire an energy manager and preparation of a strategic plan; 4) conduct renewable energy technology feasibility studies; and 5) conduct residential and commercial building energy audits and develop energy educational materials and reports.

Conditions: None

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A9, A11, B2.5, B3.6, B5.1

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR10 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

Gary S. Hartman

Date Determined:

11/7/2011

Comments:

Webmaster: