



**U.S. Department of Energy  
Office of Legacy Management  
Categorical Exclusion Determination Form**



**Program or Field Office:** Office of Legacy Management

**Project Title and I.D. No.:** Amendment to LM 29-11, routine monitoring, maintenance, general site actions, nonroutine actions, and administrative actions at the Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, Disposal Site (Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act [UMTRCA] Title I), LM 29a-11

**Location:** Canonsburg, Pennsylvania, Disposal Site

**Proposed Action or Project Description:**

Checklist LM 29-11 evaluated potential impacts related to routine monitoring, maintenance, general site actions, nonroutine actions, and administrative actions at the Canonsburg site. Information from Checklist LM 29-11 has been updated. This amendment considers an expanded scope of activities and real property actions that were covered under a categorical exclusion different from that at the time LM 29-11 was developed. DOE proposes to develop an access agreement with a private company occupying adjacent land to allow its use of a gravel turnaround area on DOE property, in the southwest corner of the site. The agreement would formalize acceptable land-use terms and conditions. DOE may post signs to identify the DOE property boundary and describe prohibited activities, such as excavation. Ongoing site actions and use of the gravel turnaround area via the access agreement would not have the potential to release substances that could pose a threat to human health or the environment or cause a significant change in impacts.

**Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:**

- B1.3 Routine maintenance
- B1.24 Property transfers
- B3.1 Site characterization and environmental monitoring
- B3.2 Aviation activities

For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, including the full text of each categorical exclusion, see Subpart D of 10 CFR Part 1021.

Regulatory Requirements in 10 CFR 1021.410(b): (See full text in regulation)

The proposal fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B to 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D

To fit within the classes of actions listed in 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B, a proposal must be one that would not: (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incinerators), but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions or facilities; (3) disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that preexist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; (4) have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources, including, but not limited to, those listed in paragraph B(4) of 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B; (5) involve genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology, governmentally designated noxious weeds, or invasive species, unless the proposed activity would be contained or confined in a manner designed and operated to prevent unauthorized release into the environment and conducted in accordance with applicable requirements, such as those listed in paragraph B(5) of 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B.

There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal.

The proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion. This proposal is not connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(1)), is not related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.27(b)(7)), and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211 concerning limitations on actions during preparation of an environmental impact statement.

Based on my review of 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.

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**NEPA Compliance Officer:**

**Date Determined:**