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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY  
EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER  
NEPA DETERMINATION



RECIPIENT: Southern Methodist University

STATE: TX

PROJECT TITLE : Data Compilation for the National Geothermal Data Base

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-00000109	DE-EE0002852	GFO-10-198	GO2852

Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Order 451.1A), I have made the following determination:

**CX, EA, EIS APPENDIX AND NUMBER:**

Description:

**A9** Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, audits), data analysis (including computer modeling), document preparation (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy supply and demand studies), and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document mailings, publication, and distribution; and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring.

## Rationale for determination:

The Southern Methodist University is proposing a project to complement geological data with additional information needed for geothermal resource assessment. The second challenge is data selection, integration, and quality assurance. The third challenge lies in the organizational aspect of geothermal data collection.

Project tasks include the following:

- \* Data Retrieval, Collection, Development and Quality Analysis
- \* Transfer and validation of Information to Data System
- \* Execution of Data Maintenance Sustainability Plan

This project involves information gathering only; therefore a CX A9 will apply.

**NEPA PROVISION**

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date:

3/10/10

**FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION**
 Field Office Manager review required
**NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:**

- Proposed action fits within a categorical exclusion but involves a high profile or controversial issue that warrants Field Office Manager's attention.
- Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore requires Field Office Manager's review and determination.

**BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NCO :**

Field Office Manager's Signature:

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Field Office Manager

Date:

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