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



RECIPIENT: Hendry County

STATE: FL

PROJECT TITLE : Bio-Diesel Cellulosic Ethanol Research Project

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
	DE-EE0000303	GFO-10-405	EE303

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.

## Rational for determination:

Hendry County proposes to use federal funds to create the Hendry County Sustainable Biofuels Center and initiate its programs. The Center will develop methods to evaluate natural resources, provide sustainability assessments, develop biomass farming and fuel systems, create ecosystem service opportunities, prepare potential south Floridians for employment in the biomass industry, and assist business and government design sustainable biofuels projects.

This project will include project management and reporting, developing a stakeholder consensus, team development, center facilities planning, analytical tools development, life cycle analysis, cost benefit analysis, sustainable farming systems analysis, ecosystem services compensation, curriculum development, youth development, economic development.

This project is comprised of information gathering, dissemination and paper studies in the field of biomass to biofuel development; therefore a CX A9 will apply.

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

Eugene Brown 9/16/2010

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

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Kristin Kerwin  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 9/16/2010

**FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION**