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



RECIPIENT: WA Department of Commerce

STATE: WA

PROJECT TITLE : SEP - Interstate Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Project

| Funding Opportunity Announcement Number | Procurement Instrument Number | NEPA Control Number | CID Number |
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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.
- B5.1** Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.

Rational for determination:

Washington Department of Commerce would allocate \$1,320,000 in SEP funding to Washington Department of Transportation to administer and implement a plan to install electric vehicle charging equipment along Interstate 5 and other transportation corridors.

The funding will be used to: develop a Request for Qualifications/Request for Proposals for a design/build contractor to install, operate and maintain fast-charging stations; to install Level 2 charging equipment and supporting infrastructure at strategic locations, including two state rest areas; for the analytic work to support the strategic location and assessment of charging stations and deployments, and to administer, manage, monitor, report, coordinate and communicate with federal and state agencies, the private sector and the public about the goals, progress, performance and best practices resulting from this project.

In view of the information provided by the State, DOE has determined that the work outlined is consistent with activities identified in Categorical Exclusions A9 and B5.1.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

EF-2a prepared by Neil Sullivan.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____

NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 10/20/10