



U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



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

Project Title MN-County-Ramsey

Location: County Ramsey MN

Proposed Action or Project Description

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

1) Comprehensive energy plan and energy/sustainability coordinator to administer energy efficiency and conservation block grant projects; 2) prepare building audits/recommissioning study and conduct building retrofits to the following facilities—Parks and Recreation Administration Building and arenas (1985, 1998, 1973, and 1962), Government Center East (1908), Public Health Clinic (1956), City Hall/County Courthouse (1931), Juvenile Family Justice Center (1954), and Correctional Facility (1960) which would include lighting upgrades, installing premium efficiency motors and/or variable frequency drives, performing HVAC/plumbing upgrades, installing low-flow shower heads, performing weather stripping, and upgrading control systems; 3) energy efficiency program implementation including lighting retrofits to five county-owned buildings, 4) develop energy conservation program for county-owned information technology equipment, design energy efficient computer center, and implement energy tracking software; and 5) install electric charging stations at existing surface parking lots on county property (approximately ten stations).

Conditions: Historic preservation clause applies to this application

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A1, A9, A11, B2.5, B5.1

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021

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 **James L. Elmore** Date Determined: 2/17/2011

Comments:

Webmaster: