



# National Nuclear Security Administration Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



NEPA ID#: OST 17-002

Proposed Action Title: The Office of Secure Transportation (OST) Albuquerque Maintenance and Minor Construction Activities for FY16 thru FY21.

Program or Field Office: Office of Secure Transportation

Location(s) (City/County/State): Albuquerque, NM

Proposed Action Description:

The proposed action, The Office of Secure Transportation (OST) Albuquerque Maintenance and Minor Construction Activities for FY16 through FY21, (OST 17-002) describes routine maintenance support activities and custodial services to be performed by the Office of Secure Transportation on their assets. This checklist provides a "laundry list" of specific activities that would be performed at the site. A more in depth discussion can be found under Attachment 1 of this checklist, which is hereby incorporated by reference. Categorical Exclusion B1.3 applies in cases of:

Routine maintenance activities and custodial services for buildings, structures, rights-of-way, infrastructures (e.g., pathways, roads, and railroads), vehicles and equipment, and localized vegetation and pest control, during which operations may be suspended and resumed. Custodial services are activities to preserve facility appearance, working conditions, and sanitation, such as cleaning, window washing, lawn mowing, trash collection, painting, and snow removal. Routine maintenance activities, corrective (that is, repair), preventive, and predictive, are required to maintain and preserve buildings, structures, infrastructures, and equipment in a condition suitable for a facility to be used for its designated purpose. Routine maintenance may result in replacement to the extent that replacement is in kind and is not a substantial upgrade or improvement. In kind replacement includes installation of new components to replace outmoded components if the replacement does not result in a significant change in the expected useful life, design capacity, or function of the facility. Routine maintenance does not include replacement of a major component that significantly extends the originally intended useful life of a facility (for example, it does not include the replacement of a reactor vessel near the end of its useful life).

OST must submit a separate environmental checklist for projects requiring disturbance, removal, or disposal of asbestos-containing material.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:

B1.3 – Routine Maintenance

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 1021.

**Regulatory Requirements in 10 CFR 1021.410(b): (Sec 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 of the Department of Agriculture, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Institutes of Health.

**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 information conveyed to me and in my possession 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 and that other-regulatory requirements set forth above are met. Therefore, the application of a categorical exclusion is appropriate.