

NEPA REVIEW SCREENING FORM (NRSF) 3
Categorically Excluded Actions

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I. Project Title:

MSA/HMIS Annual Categorical Exclusion (CX) B3.3, Research Related to Conservation of Fish, Wildlife, and Cultural Resources for CY 2021

II. Describe the proposed action, including location, time period over which proposed action will occur, project dimension (e.g., acres displaced/disturbed, excavation length/depth), and area/location/number of buildings. Attach narratives, maps and drawings of proposed action. Describe existing environmental conditions and potential for environmental impacts from the proposed action. If the proposed action is not a project, describe the action or plan.

Mission Support Alliance (MSA)/Hanford Mission Integration Solutions (HMIS) and their subcontractors perform field and laboratory research, inventory, and information collection activities that are directly related to the conservation of fish and wildlife resources or to the protection of cultural resources, provided that such activities would not have the potential to cause significant impacts on fish and wildlife habitat or populations or to cultural resources.

Actions performed under this Annual CX include those listed in the MSA Mission Support Contract (DE-AC06-09RL14728) and HMIS Hanford Mission Essential Services Contract (No. 89303320DEM000031) with the Department of Energy (DOE), Richland Operations Office (RL), Section C, "Performance Work Statement." In addition, Section J.3, "Hanford Site Services and Interface Requirements Matrix" and implementing protocols, policies, and procedures apply. The buildings, structures, infrastructures, and equipment covered by this Annual CX include those listed in Sections J.12, "Hanford Structure Responsibility Assignment Matrix" (see Section J.13 in the MSA contract) and J.13, "Hanford Waste Site Responsibility Assignment Matrix" (see Section J.14 in the MSA contract) where MSA/HMIS is the assigned contractor or provides services to other Hanford Site contractors. The MSA contract will transition to the HMIS contract on January 24, 2021.

This Annual CX covers recurring actions that meet the requirements [see 10 CFR 1021.410, "Application of Categorical Exclusions (classes of actions that normally do not require EAs or EISs)"] and conditions that are "integral elements" for applying CXs [see 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D, "B. Conditions that are Integral Elements of the Classes of Actions in Appendix B"]. To meet the requirements, actions would not individually or cumulatively have significant effects on the human environment; would fit CX definitions, including any caveats for use of the CX; would not have "extraordinary circumstances" that may affect the significance of environmental effects of the proposal; and would not be divided into smaller actions (segmentation) to meet CX definitions. Section V of this NEPA Review Screening Form provides a summary of integral elements [see 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B for a complete listing]. CXs include foreseeable activities necessary for implementing actions, such as award of grants and contracts, site preparation, purchase and installation of equipment, and associated transportation activities [10 CFR 1021.410(d)].

The MSA/HMIS Environmental Compliance Officers and NEPA Subject Matter Expert would ensure that applicable requirements and conditions are met prior to applying this Annual CX to actions. This includes compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, Endangered Species Act, Clean Air Act, Clean Water Act, and other applicable laws and regulations; as well as conformance with applicable NEPA Environmental Assessments (EAs) or Environmental Impact Statements (EISs), such as the "Hanford Site Comprehensive Land Use Plan Environmental Impact Statement" (DOE/EIS-0222-F) and "Record of Decision" (ROD), which provides land use maps, designations, policies, and procedures.

This Annual CX is approved pursuant to 10 CFR 1021.410(f) in which proposed recurring actions undertaken during a specified time period, such as routine maintenance for a year, may be addressed in a single CX determination after considering the potential aggregated impacts to ensure no extraordinary circumstances exist. Any changes to this Annual CX require approval by the DOE NEPA Compliance Officer.

III. Existing Evaluations (Provide with NRSF to DOE NCO):

Maps:

Other Attachments:

IV. List Applicable CX(s) from Appendix B to Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021:

B3.3, Research Related to Conservation of Fish, Wildlife, and Cultural Resources

