



National Nuclear Security Administration Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



NEPA ID#: HEDLP 15-001-001

Proposed Action Title: Remote Sensing Laboratory San Diego

Program or Field Office: Nevada Field Office

Location(s) (City/County/State): San Diego/San Diego County/California

Proposed Action Description:

The Remote Sensing Laboratory (RSL) mission is to provide a broad range of scientific, technological, and operational disciplines with core competencies in Remote Sensing, Nuclear Emergency response and Support and Applied Science and Technologies in support of national security.

The RSL has recently aligned the San Diego Team under their overall organization. The RSL San Diego (RSLSD) Team executes both Strategic Partnership Programs (SPP) and Strategic Intelligence Partnership Programs (SIPP). The RSLSD supports the execution of on-going and future programs and projects in a Technical Direction Agent (TDA) and subject matter expert (SME) role, crossing multi-discipline Command, Control Communication, Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (C4ISR)/Information Operations (IO), Electronic Warfare/Cyber domains and boundaries.

There are specific and detailed requirements for residing in Department of Defense, Government-owned, secure facilities and environments that offer multiple levels of classification and direct access to multi-level-secure-high bandwidth communications networks and cross-agency domains. RSLSD is a tenant at the Information Warfare Training Center (IWCT) Taylor Hall (Building 564) building at Naval Base Point Loma, San Diego.

The physical space is located at 3955 N. Harbor Drive, San Diego, California 92101 within Taylor Hall. Taylor Hall is constructed of concrete blocks. The roof and ceiling are of steel frame construction. RSLSD occupies room 162 which consists of 625 square feet of space. It is made up of Flat Screens, and moveable and fixed desks. It can be rearranged to be an office area or classroom venue. It has computers, as well as a conference table. It has 2 fiber-filled cabinets that support the communication networks.

Taylor Hall, Building 564 is designated as a restricted area. A system of controlled access is in effect at all times. Individuals entering the building must possess a SECRET or higher-level clearance for access or must remain under escort at all times.

Since the RSLSD is a tenant of the IWCT Taylor Hall Building 564, there is minimal if any environmental impact. It is strictly an office/classroom setting. The military is responsible for picking up the paper waste from the building. The RSLSD have no chemicals being stored in the building. The backup system (generator and UPS system) for the building is maintained and controlled by the Military.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:

10 CFR 1021: B.3-6 Small scale research and development, laboratory operations, and pilot projects

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): (See 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.

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.

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.

NEPA Compliance Officer: Carrie Stewart

Date Determined: December 7, 2016