

RL-721 REV 2	NEPA REVIEW SCREENING FORM	Document ID Number: DOE/CX-00035
I. Project Title: LIMITED FIREBREAK MAINTENANCE ON THE HANFORD SITE DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2011		
II. Project Description and Location (including Time Period over which proposed action will occur and Project Dimensions - e.g., acres displaced/disturbed, excavation length/depth, etc.): <p>The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) proposes to perform limited firebreak maintenance in selected areas of the Hanford Site during calendar year 2011 using prescribed burning, disking, and/or blading. Prescribed burning will be conducted by the Hanford Fire Department and only in previously disturbed areas. Similarly, disking and blading will be conducted by the Hanford Mission Support Contractor Road Maintenance organization and only in previously disturbed areas.</p> <p>The objective of limited firebreak maintenance is to maintain safety at Hanford facilities by improving the reliability of pre-identified firebreaks and reducing the accumulation of potentially hazardous ignitable vegetative fuels in proximity to buildings, structures, right-of-ways, and infrastructures. Firebreak maintenance activities will be strictly limited to previously disturbed areas such as power line right-of-ways, railroad right-of-ways, Hanford Site roadways, facility boundaries, fence lines, and highways that pass through the Hanford Site.</p> <p>The use of prescribed burning, disking, and blading should not adversely impact cultural or biological resources and should only be performed in previously disturbed areas or in areas reviewed and pre-cleared by cultural and biological specialists and concurred by the DOE Native American Cultural representative. Workers will be directed to contact a cultural resource specialist if any cultural materials (bones, artifacts, etc.) are encountered to determine the significance of the discovery and appropriate mitigation actions. Similarly, a biological resource specialist will be contacted if any nesting birds are encountered (if not a nest, a pair of birds of the same species or a single bird that will not leave the area when disturbed), or bird defensive behaviors are observed (flying at workers, refusal to leave area, strident vocalizations).</p>		
III. Reviews (if applicable): Biological Review Report #: <u>ACTION TO OCCUR IN PREVIOUSLY DISTURBED & BRR REVIEWED AREAS ONLY</u> Cultural Review Report #: <u>ACTION TO OCCUR IN PREVIOUSLY DISTURBED & CRR REVIEWED AREAS ONLY</u> NPCE Determination: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
IV. Existing NEPA Documentation (see Steps 3 and 4 of Contractor Screening Process)		YES NO
Is the proposed action evaluated in a previous EA, EIS, or under CERCLA?		<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If "NO," proceed to Section V. If "YES," List EA, EIS, or CERCLA Document(s) Title and Number: <hr/> <hr/>		
And then complete Section VII and provide electronic copy of Initiator/ECO signed NRSF to DOE NCO for information (see Step 6 of Contractor Screening Process).		
V. Sitewide Categorical Exclusion (see Step 5 of Contractor Screening Process)		YES NO
Does the proposed action fit within the scope of actions identified in a DOE Hanford NCO-approved sitewide categorical exclusion?		<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Does the proposed action fall within the scope of a Hanford Sitewide Categorical Exclusion?		<input type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If "NO," proceed to Section VI. If "YES," list Sitewide Categorical Exclusion to be applied and complete Sitewide Categorical Exclusion Criteria: <hr/> <hr/>		

