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EXAMPLE OF A CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CHECKLIST

Evaluation of Criteria for Categorical Exclusion

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| 1. This action or group of actions will have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 2. This action or group of actions will involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 3. This action will have significant adverse effects on public health or safety. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 4. This action will have an adverse effect on unique geological features such as wetlands, wild or scenic rivers, rivers placed on the nationwide river inventory, refuges, floodplains, or prime or unique farmlands. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 5. This action will have highly controversial effects. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 6. This action will have highly uncertain environmental affects or involve unique or unknown environmental risk. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 7. This action will establish a precedent for future actions. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 8. This action is related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulative significant environmental effects. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |
| 9. This action will adversely affect properties listed or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historical Places. | No _ Uncertain _ Yes _ |

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10. This action will adversely affect a species listed or proposed to be listed as endangered or threatened. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _
11. This action threatens to violate Federal, state, local, Executive or Secretarial Orders, Tribal Law, or requirements imposed for protection of the environment. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _
12. This action will affect Indian Trust Assets. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _
13. This action will have a disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on low income or minority populations. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _
14. This action will limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _
15. This action will contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species. No _ Uncertain _ Yes _