

Categorical Exclusion Determination

Bonneville Power Administration

Department of Energy



Proposed Action: Anaconda Substation Control House Floor Asbestos Abatement

Project Manager: Janice Grounds TEP-CSB-2

Location: Deer Lodge County, Montana

Categorical Exclusion Applied (from Subpart D, 10 C.F.R. Part 1021): B1.16 Asbestos Removal

Description of the Proposed Action: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is proposing to remove materials containing asbestos from its Anaconda Substation Control House floor. After abatement of the flooring has taken place, BPA would install a new floor to the existing concrete base structure. All work is proposed inside the Anaconda Substation Control House and no ground disturbance is proposed.

Findings: In accordance with Section 1021.410(b) of the Department of Energy's (DOE) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Regulations (57 FR 15144, Apr. 24, 1992, as amended at 61 FR 36221-36243, July 9, 1996; 61 FR 64608, Dec. 6, 1996, 76 FR 63764, Nov. 14, 2011), BPA has determined that the proposed action:

- (1) fits within a class of actions listed in Appendix B of 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D (see attached Environmental Checklist);
- (2) does not present any extraordinary circumstances that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal; and
- (3) has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion.

Based on these determinations, BPA finds that the proposed action is categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

/s/ Claire McClory

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Concur:

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NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: April 25, 2016

Attachment(s): Environmental Checklist

Categorical Exclusion Environmental Checklist

This checklist documents environmental considerations for the proposed project and explains why the project would not have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources and would meet other integral elements of the applied categorical exclusion.

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Project Site Description

All work would take place within BPA’s Anaconda Substation Control House in Deer Lodge County, Montana.

Evaluation of Potential Impacts to Environmental Resources

Environmental Resource Impacts	No Potential for Significance	No Potential for Significance, with Conditions
1. Historic and Cultural Resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> The Anaconda Substation Control House was built in 1953 and meets minimum eligibility registration requirements in accordance with the Multiple Properties Document (MPD). However, interior elements are not an “eligibility determinant” under Criterion A; therefore, this project would have no potential to effect historical resources. All work would be confined to within the substation control house and would not result in any ground disturbance and does not have the potential to affect cultural resources.		
2. Geology and Soils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> No ground disturbance proposed.		
3. Plants (including federal/state special-status species)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> None present.		
4. Wildlife (including federal/state special-status species and habitats)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> None present.		
5. Water Bodies, Floodplains, and Fish (including federal/state special-status species and ESUs)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> None present.		
6. Wetlands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Explanation:</u> None present.		

7. **Groundwater and Aquifers**



Explanation: None present.

8. **Land Use and Specially Designated Areas**



Explanation: All work is within the existing Anaconda Substation Control House.

9. **Visual Quality**



Explanation: No impact.

10. **Air Quality**



Explanation: No impact to air quality. All asbestos would be removed and disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations by a licensed abatement contractor.

11. **Noise**



Explanation: Minimal temporary noise during construction.

12. **Human Health and Safety**



Explanation: All asbestos would be removed and disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations by a licensed abatement contractor. A positive impact to human health and safety would occur by removing asbestos-containing materials, thereby reducing potential exposure.

Evaluation of Other Integral Elements

The proposed project would also meet conditions that are integral elements of the categorical exclusion. The project would not:

- Threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders.

Explanation, if necessary:

- Require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incinerators) that are not otherwise categorically excluded.

Explanation, if necessary:

- 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.

Explanation, if necessary:

- 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.

Explanation, if necessary:

Landowner Notification, Involvement, or Coordination

Description: Not applicable.

Based on the foregoing, this proposed project does not have the potential to cause significant impacts to any environmentally sensitive resource.

Signed: /s/ Claire McClory
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Date: April 25, 2016