U.S. Department of Energy
Categorical Exclusion Determination Form

Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants

Project Title: Tanana Chiefs Conference Residential and Commercial Building Energy Audits

Location: Alaska Tanana Chiefs Conference

Proposed Action or Project Description: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: ☒

The Tanana Chiefs Conference proposes to work with several tribes to hire a consultant for a portion of the EECBG funds to perform energy audits of select Tribal buildings. The Tanana Chiefs Conference Housing Department (TCC) and the Cold Climate Housing Research Center (CCHRC) have been selected to perform the audits and develop recommendations for potential energy efficiency improvements. The tribes include the Anvik, Arctic Village, Beaver, Dot Lake, Eagle, Grayling, Husila, Manley Hot Springs, Northway, Takotna, and Tanacross tribes. Upon completion of the audits, the tribes will submit a second EECBC Activity Worksheet with specific energy efficiency improvement projects.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:

X - B5.1 Actions to conserve energy

X- A1 - Routine administrative/financial/personnel actions

X- A11 - Technical advice and assistance to organizations

X- A9 - Information gathering/data analysis/document preparation/dissemination

*-For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions, see Subpart D of 10 CFR10 21 Click Here

This action would not: threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including DOE and/or Executive Orders; require siting, construction, or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but may include such categorically excluded facilities; disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; or adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources (including but not limited to those listed in paragraph B.(4)) of Appendix B to Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021). Furthermore, there are no extraordinary circumstances related to this action that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the action; this action is not "connected" to other actions with potentially significant impacts, is not related to other proposed actions with cumulatively significant impacts, and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession (or attached) 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, the other regulatory requirements set forth above are met, and the proposed action is hereby categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

NEPA Compliance Officer: Mary Martin Date Determined: Nov 12, 2009

Comments: Webmaster: Billie Newland

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This determination is limited to conducting energy audits and planning for potential energy efficiency improvements only. Subsequent activities involving implementation of energy efficiency improvements/retrofits/upgrades may not be conducted with EECBG funds without additional environmental review by DOE.

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