



# U.S. Department of Energy Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Program or Field Office: TRIBAL ENERGY PROGRAM  
Project Title AK-TEP-NATIVE VILLAGE OF EYAK  
Location: Tribal NATIVE VILLAGE OF EYAK

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Proposed Action or Project Description

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

The Native Village of Eyak proposes to support the feasibility phase of a proposed Wind Project (with a proposed capacity of 1.5 to 2.0 MW). Activities proposed include improving wind data maps, learning from other existing wind projects, public education and awareness, and project design and permitting. Mobile anemometer kits (10-meter) would be purchased to verify current resource maps and improve them with additional data collection, and install three 30-meter towers to collect data. Other existing wind projects would be researched to use the best known methods from these sites. Wind program meetings would be held with the community to discuss the proposed project and for continuation of public education and awareness efforts concerning wind programs. Environmental and avian studies would also be conducted.

Conditions: None

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A9, A11, B3.1, B5.1

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

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.

ORO NEPA Compliance Officer

**Gary S. Hartman**

Date Determined: 11/29/2010

Comments:

Webmaster: