

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



Program or Field Office: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program

Project Title OR-TRIBE-CONFEDERATED TRIBE OF WARM SPRINGS OREGON

<u>Location:</u> Tribe OR-TRIBE- OR

CONFEDERATED TRIBE OF WARM SPRINGS OREGON

## Proposed Action or Project Description

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act:

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(1) The Confederated Tribe of Warm Springs, Oregon, proposes to develop and/or implement an energy efficiency and conservation strategy to carry out activities to achieve the purposes of the program and use and retain technical consultant services to assist in the development of such a strategy, including formulation of energy efficiency, energy conservation, and energy usage goals; identification of strategies to achieve those goals through efforts to increase energy efficiency, reduce fossil fuel emissions, or reduce energy consumption through investments or by encouraging behavioral changes. (2) The Confederated Tribe of Warm Springs proposes to install an approximately 11 kW solar photovoltaic array on the new media center in Warm Springs. The media center is a new modern structure (already completed), and the activities proposed would include placing panels on the roof of the building and install an inverter that would convert the photovoltaic DC power to AC power for use in the building, while also acting as a regional model of sustainable energy use.

Conditions: None

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied: A9, A11, B2.5, B5.1

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: 5/4/2010

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