

National Nuclear Security Administration Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



NEPA ID#: HEDLP 15-001-001

Proposed Action Title: NNSS AML 20K Rocket Launcher Retrieval

Program or Field Office: Nevada Field Office

Location(s) (City/County/State): Nevada National Security Site (NNSS), Nye County NV

Proposed Action Description:

National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Sounding Rocket Operations Contract (NSROC) would contract a crane and commercial trucking company to dismantle and load the 20k Rocket Launcher on to a truck to be transported back to NASA. The rocket launcher is located in Area 26 of the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). Driving would be on existing roads and the dismantling would be conducted on the existing cement pad. There would be no off-road driving or land surface disturbance. Also there would be no need for refueling of equipment at the rocket launcher site. Personnel from NASA and Sandia National Laboratories would be coordinating these activities with NNSS Maintenance and Operations Contractor personnel.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied:

10 CFR 1021, Appendix B, B1.24 Property Transfers

For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act regulations regarding categorical exclusions including the full text of each categorical exclusion, sec Subpart D of 10 CFR 1021. Regulatory Requirements in 10 CFR 1021.410(b): (Sec full text in regulation)

The proposal fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B to 10 CPR Part 1021, Subpart D.

There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal.

The proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion.

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession 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 and that other-regulatory requirements set forth above are met. Therefore, the application of a categorical exclusion is appropriate.

NEPA Compliance Officer: Carrie Stewart Date Determined: August 6, 2018