

Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration NEPA Determination Form



Proposed Action Title: Los Alamos National Laboratory Offsite Shuttle Service

Program or Field Office: Los Alamos Field Office

<u>Location(s) (City/County/State):</u> Portions of Rio Arriba County, Santa Fe County, Sandoval County, Los Alamos County, New Mexico

Proposed Action Description

DOE/NNSA proposes to lease existing parking lots within a 50-mile radius, which may include existing lots located in Los Alamos, Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and Santa Fe Counties. The action does not include the construction of new parking lots or other parking structures or changes in local land use and zoning, and no significant alterations or improvements to leased properties will occur. Minor modifications may be required to meet security and operational needs. All leased lots will be pre-existing and consistent with local land use requirements.

Categorical Exclusions Applied

B1.24-Property Transfers: Transfer, lease, disposition, or acquisition of interests in personal property (including but not limited to, equipment and materials) or real property (including, but not limited to permanent structures and land), provided that under reasonably foreseeable uses (1) there would be no potential for release of substances at a level, or in a form, that could pose a threat to public health or the environment and (2) the covered actions would not have the potential to cause a significant change in impacts from before the transfer, lease, disposition, or acquisition of interests.

Regulatory Requirements in DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures

For the complete DOE National Environmental Policy Act procedures regarding categorical exclusions, including the full text of each categorical exclusion, see DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures, Appendix B.

To find that a proposal is categorically excluded, DOE shall determine the following:

- (1) The proposal fits within a class of actions listed in Appendix B to DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures:
- (2) There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal; and
- (3) The proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion. The proposal is not connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts, is not related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts, and is not precluded by limitations on actions during preparation of an environmental impact statement.

The classes of actions listed in DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures, Appendix B, include the following conditions as integral elements of the classes of actions. To fit within the classes of actions



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in Appendix B, a proposal must be one that would not: (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incinerators), but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions or facilities; (3) 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; (4) have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources, including, but not limited to, those identified as needing protection through Executive Order, statute, or regulation by Federal, state, local government, or Federally recognized Indian tribe; (5) 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.

Mitigations Required

Based on the assessment of resource areas and impacts, there are no anticipated impacts that would affect a resource area to a degree that would require mitigations or BMPs. Therefore, there are no Mitigations or BMPs identified for this project.

NEPA Compliance Officer Determination

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under NNSA NAP 451.1), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified categorical exclusions identified in DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures, Appendix B, Section B1.24- Property Transfers. If changes are made to the scope of the action so that it is no longer bounded by the above description, or the project is changed to encompass other actions, NEPA requirements for the action will need to be reassessed at that time and further analysis may be required. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances present, and that the proposal has not been segmented. I approve the proposed project under DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures, Appendix B1.24. This determination is made pursuant to the NEPA [42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.] and the DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures.

NEPA Compliance Officer:	Date Determined:
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