

U.S. Department of Energy
Office of Legacy Management



Categorical Exclusion Determination Form

Proposed action title: Fence Reconfiguration at the Monument Valley, Arizona, Processing Site

Program or field office: Office of Legacy Management (LM)

LM Categorical Exclusion Evaluation no.: LM 03 - 26

Location(s) (LM site name or city, county, state): Monument Valley, Arizona, Processing, Site

Proposed Action Description

LM is proposing to remove the existing fence and install a new fence at the Monument Valley, Arizona, Processing Site located on Navajo Nation land in northeastern Arizona, approximately 15 miles south of Mexican Hat, Utah, on the west side of Cane Valley in Apache County. The proposed fencing project would occur around the site perimeter (removal of approximately 7200 linear feet) and within the interior of the Site (approximately 1850 linear feet of new fence and fenceposts) using an auger and T-post driver to release approximately 75 acres and continue to provide protection of an approximately 24-acre phytoremediation pilot test area. Proposed activities would be required to satisfy LM's requirements for providing long-term custodial care of the site in a manner that remains protective of human health and the environment.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied

B1.11 – Fencing

For the DOE procedures regarding categorical exclusions, including the full text of each categorical exclusion, see Title 10 Code of Federal Regulations Part 1021.102 (10 CFR 1021.102) and Appendix B to 10 CFR 1021, and also Section 5.4 (Applying one or more categorical exclusions to a proposal) and Appendixes B and C to DOE's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Procedures (June 30, 2025).

Requirements and guidance in 10 CFR 1021.102 and DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures: (see full text in regulation and in implementing procedures)

- The proposal fits within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix B to 10 CFR 1021 or Appendix B and C to DOE's NEPA implementing procedures.
To fit within the classes of actions listed in Appendix B to 10 CFR 1021, or Appendix B of DOE's NEPA implementing procedures, a proposal must satisfy the conditions that are integral elements of the classes of actions in Appendix B of both 10 CFR 1021 and DOE's NEPA procedures.
- There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal. DOE or an applicant may modify the proposal to avoid reasonably foreseeable adverse significant effects such that the categorical exclusion would apply.
- The proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion.

[Note: For proposals that fit within the categorical exclusions listed in Appendix C to DOE's NEPA Implementing Procedures, see DOE's notice of adoption for the subject Appendix C categorical exclusion for additional considerations. DOE notices of adoption for other agency categorical exclusions may be found on DOE's Section 109: Adopting Categorical Exclusions webpage.]

Based on my review of the proposed action, as NEPA compliance officer, I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class(es) of action, the other requirements and guidance set forth above are met, and the proposed action is hereby categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

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