

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
 EUGENE DISTRICT

CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION REVIEW
Exception Criteria Review Checklist

Proposed Action: Demolish and remove two old existing toilet facilities at the Whittaker Creek Campground between campground sites 27 and 28 and replace them with a new precast concrete double vault (CXT) facility.

Review the proposed action against each of the 10 criteria listed below. If the project meets one or more of the criteria, it is an exception from categorical exclusion and **MUST** be analyzed in an EA or EIS. To qualify as a Categorical Exclusion the proposed action may not meet any of the criteria. If the criterion does not apply, indicate "Not Applicable." Any mitigation measures (such as contract stipulations or terms and conditions on permits) necessary to ensure that the proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion should be identified at the bottom of the page.

Exception Criteria		Comments
1.	Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety	* None
2.	Have adverse effects on unique resources (i.e., parks, recreation, refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, wetlands, flood plains, etc.)	* None
3.	Have highly controversial environmental effects	* None
4.	Have highly uncertain environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks	* None
5.	Establish a precedent that could result in significant impacts	* None
6.	Be directly related to other actions having cumulatively significant effects	* None
7.	Have adverse effects on cultural or historical resources	* None
8.	Have adverse effects on species listed or proposed as threatened or endangered or have adverse effect on designated critical habitat for these species.	Botany - Fish - Wildlife -
9.	Require compliance with E.O. 11988 (flood plain management), E.O. 11990 (protection of wetlands), or the Fish & Wildlife Coordination Act	* None
10.	Threaten to violate Federal, State, Local or Native American law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment	* None
<p>Mitigation measures needed to qualify as CE: Work will be accomplished between August 6 and September 2, 2004. This project will "not likely adversely affect" wildlife. All work activity would occur two hours after sunrise and cease two hours before sunset.</p>		

Reviewed By: /s/ Rick Colvin Date: 12/18/03
 Rick Colvin, Environmental Coordinator

Above measures have been adopted and will be implemented.

Field Manager: /s/ Steve Calish Date: 12/18/03
 Steve Calish

Replacement of Whittaker Creek Campground Restroom Facilities

Background

The current two restroom facilities between camping sites 27 and 28 of Whittaker Creek Campground are the oldest toilet facilities remaining in the campground and were found ADA deficient during the September 2002 Oregon Accessibility Evaluation inspection.

Proposed Action

BLM staff would demolish and remove the existing individual restrooms. All materials would be removed from the current site. The vaults would be pumped and filled with appropriate material, and have a plate covering the holes. The concrete tanks would be left and filled with appropriate material (gravel, sand, etc.). The new adjacent site would be prepared to ADA gradient levels. The area would be staked for the installation crew (contractor). Some adjacent vegetation (and small trees) may be disturbed or cut in order to facilitate these activities. The installation crew would prepare and lay the foundation for the new facility. Vegetation restoration would be executed by BLM staff after the facility installation. All proposed work would occur in previously disturbed areas.

Work would begin on or after August 6, 2004 and completed by September 2, 2004. Work hours would include the following murrelet disturbance restriction: All work activity would occur two hours after sunrise and cease two hours before sunset.

Decision

It is my decision to approve the Proposed Action to demolish and remove the existing facilities, replace them with a single new facility, and restore any damaged vegetation.

Rationale

The Proposed Action qualifies as a categorical exclusion as described in the National Environmental Policy Act Handbook H-1790, Appendixes, Part A - Departmental Categorical Exclusions (516 DM 2, Appendix 1), number 1.7 which states, "Routine and continuing government business, including such things as . . . maintenance and replacement activities having limited context and intensity, e.g., limited size and magnitude or short term effects" and, 516 DM 6, Appendix 5, Section H. Other (10) which states, "Removal of structures and materials of nonhistorical value . . . when little or no surface disturbance is involved" The Proposed Action does not meet any of the exception criteria and therefore an Environmental Assessment (EA) is not necessary.

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Date: 12/18/03

Approved By: /s/ Steve Calish
Field Manager, Siuslaw RA

Date: 12/18/03