BUREAU OF RECLAMATION CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CHECKLIST

Mid-Pacific Region Lahontan Basin Area Office

Project Name: Churchill County Rd Dept, L1 Culvert Replacements

CEC Number: LO-2011-1020

Cost Authority: A1R 17529652 2600060

Date: 11/04/2011

Exclusion Category: 516 DM 14.5 D.10 – Issuance of permits, licenses, easements, and crossing agreements which provide right-of-way over Reclamation lands where the action does not allow for or lead to a major public or private action.

Nature of Action: Churchill County Road Department has requested culvert replacements south of Union Lane on Weaver Road across the L-1 lateral in the NE½ NW¼ of Section 19, and another proposed culvert replacement, being a ¼-mile south of Union Lane on Weaver Road across the L1-8-1 lateral in the SE½NW¼ of Section 19. Both culvert replacements are located in NW¼ of Section 19, T.18N., R.29E., M.D.M.

The proposed culvert replacements will consist of removing the existing concrete and timber bridges and replacing them in place with concrete precast box culverts or by extending the existing structures to the desired lengths. The first concrete box culvert, located adjacent to Union Lane, will be 38-feet long with an inside span of 6-feet by 5-feet. The second concrete box culvert, located ½ mile south of Union Lane, will be 38-feet long with an inside span of 4.5-feet by 3-feet.

Reclamation will write a consent letter authorizing construction within the right-of-way held by the United States.

Location:

NW¼ S19, T18N R29E M.D.M

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Evaluation of Criteria for Categorical Exclusion

1.	This action would have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment. (40 CFR 1502.3).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	☐ Yes
2.	This action would have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA Section 102(2) (E) and 43 CFR 46.215 (c)].	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	□ Yes
3.	This action will have significant impacts on public health or safety (43 CFR 46.215(a)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	☐ Yes
4.	This action would have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographical characteristics as historic or cultural resources; parks, recreation and refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principle drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (E.O. 11990); floodplains (E.O. 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas (43 CFR 46.215 (b)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	☐ Yes
5.	The action would have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risk (43 CFR 46.215 (d)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	☐ Yes
6.	This action would establish a precedent for future actions or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (e)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	☐ Yes
7.	This action would have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects (43 CFR 46.215 (f)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	□ Yes
8.	This action would have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by the bureau (in coordination with a Reclamation cultural resources professional, RM LND 02-01 D(1)(a)) (43 CFR 46.215 (g)).	☑ No	☐ Uncertain	□ Yes

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9.	This action would have significant impacts on species listed, or proposed to be listed, on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species (43 CFR 46.215 (h)).		V	No		Uncertain		Yes
10.	This action would violate a Federal, State, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for protection of the environment (43 CFR 46.215 (i)).		V	No		Uncertain	Ċ	Yes
11.	This action would have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (E.O. 12898) (43 CFR 46.215 (j)).		V	No		Uncertain		Yes
12.	This action would limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on Federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (E.O. 13007 and 43 CFR 46.215 (k)).		V	No		Uncertain	_	Yes
13.	This action would affect Indian Trust Assets. (To be completed by Reclamation official responsible for ITAs) (S.O. 3175; Policy Memorandum dated 12/15/93).		V	No		Uncertain		Yes
14.	This action would contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act, E.O. 13112, and 43 CFR 46.215 (l)).			No		Uncertain		Yes
NEPA	Action Recommended: Categorical Exclu	ısio	. .	7	EA	0 1	EIS	

Environmental commitments, explanation, and/or remarks:

See the attached correspondence from the Mid-Pacific Region Cultural Resources Division regarding concurrence with Item 8 (cultural resources), and from Patricia Rivera regarding Item 13 (Indian Trust Assets).

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Prepared by:	Deshler, William (BC) Water and Lands Specialist	Date:	11/04/2011
Recommended:	Julia Long Natural Resources Specialist	Date:	11/04/2011
Concurrence:	Robert Edwards Resource Division Manager	Date:	_11/10/2011
Approved:	Terri Edwards Deputy Area Manager	Date:	11/10/2011

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Long, Julia A

From:

Bruce, Brandee E

Sent:

Friday, November 04, 2011 3:46 PM

To:

Long, Julia A

Cc:

Deshler, William C; Edwards, Robert J

Subject:

CR_Resp 11-LBAO-237 CCRD culvert replacement project

Julia,

In reference to CEC Number LO-2011-1020, the action to consent to the replacement of one concrete culvert that crosses the L-1 Lateral and a concrete culvert that crosses the L-1-8-1 Lateral, both Reclamation conveyance facilities of the Newlands Project, was determined to not meet the definition of a Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) undertaking (36 CFR Part 800.16y). Reclamation owns the two conveyances but does not retain landowner status to the land. Reclamation has management responsibilities to its historic properties, and will determine if the laterals are eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places (National Register) and seek a consensus determination with the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO).

Due to the fact that there is not a Section 106 undertaking and that the replacement of the two culverts over the L-1 Lateral and the L-1-8-1 Lateral will not hinder Reclamation's ability to move and deliver water, Reclamation can now close the Section 106 process by stating that the proposed project is not an undertaking as defined by 36 CFR Part 800.16y.

Please retain a copy of this email for the administrative record for this project.

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Long, Julia A

From:

Rivera, Patricia L

Sent:

Wednesday, August 17, 2011 6:50 AM

To:

Long, Julia A

Subject:

RE: ITA Request - Churchill County Culvert Replacement

Julia,

I reviewed the proposed action to approve Churchill County Roads' request to replace culverts south of Union Lane on Weaver Road across the L-1 lateral in the NE¼, NW¼ of Section 19, and another proposed culvert replacement, being a ¼-mile south of Union Lane on Weaver Road across the L1-8-1 lateral in the SE¼ NW¼ of Section 19. Both culvert replacements are located in NW¼ of Section 19, T. 18N., R.29 E., M.D.M.

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The proposed action does not have a potential to affect Indian Trust Assets. The nearest ITA is Fallon Colony approximately 5 miles North of the project location.

Patricia			
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It is aways a pleasure working with Lahontan folks - you included.