



**CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION
FEDERAL-AID PROJECTS
LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEAD**

Project Number:	Control Number:	NMDOT District:
Proposed Project:		
Location:		County:
Land Ownership:	Environmental Consultant:	
Engineer:		

PROJECT PURPOSE AND NEED:

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED PROJECT:

Project Location Map Attached.

GENERAL ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING:

OTHER INFORMATION:



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- NOTE:** 1) The dates entered in sections 1 – 14 refer to when each of the environmental analysis was completed.
 2) Attach copies of all agency correspondence including any project specific permits and/or mitigation measures.

1 CULTURAL RESOURCE INVESTIGATIONS: Conduct cultural resource investigations

DATE: _____

- No potential to impact cultural resources.
- Inventory conducted, no cultural resources located within the area of potential effect other than isolated occurrences, and coordination with land managing agencies and State Historic Preservation Officer completed.
- Cultural resources identified, management recommendations developed, and coordination with land managing agencies and State Historic Preservation Officer completed.
- Cultural resources identified within the area of potential effect that are currently included in the New Mexico State Register of Cultural Properties or the National Register of Historic Places.

2 TRADITIONAL CULTURAL PROPERTIES: Conduct Traditional Cultural Property consultations with Native American tribes, as appropriate

DATE: _____

- No** Traditional Cultural Property consultations with tribes are needed for this project. See attached documentation.
- Traditional Cultural Property consultations completed, **No** Traditional Cultural Properties located within the area of potential effect, and coordination with land managing agencies and Tribal/State Historic Preservation Officer completed.
- Traditional Cultural Property consultations completed, Traditional Cultural Properties **Identified**, management recommendations developed, and coordination with land managing agencies and Tribal/State Historic Preservation Officer completed.

3 THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES: Conduct threatened and endangered species investigations, as appropriate

DATE: _____

- The project will have no effect on federal or state listed species.
- The project may affect threatened and endangered species, minimization measures developed and consultation with regulatory agencies completed (see attached correspondence).
- Other biological issues identified:
- Biological report prepared.



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4 BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT: If the project traverses BLM managed land, contact the appropriate BLM Field Office to address the potential impacts, alternatives and possible mitigating measures for the proposed action regarding the following Environmental/Program Elements, if applicable:

DATE: _____

- No BLM managed lands identified and no additional coordination required.
- BLM managed lands identified, consultations with BLM completed and no additional coordination required.
- *BLM managed lands identified, special stipulations and/or mitigating measures apply to the following:
 - Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)
 - Wilderness or Wilderness Study Area (WSA)
 - Lands (conflicts with other rights-of-ways)
 - Prime or Unique Farmlands
 - Recreation/Visual Resources
 - Planning/Cumulative Impacts
 - Range (special fencing requirements)
 - Special Management Area (SMA)
 - Environmental Justice
 - Wild and Scenic River
 - Flood Plains
 - Minerals (active leases)
 - Forestry/Fire
 - Other:

***See Section 15 – Summary of Environmental Commitments**

5 SURFACE WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS: Determine if Waters of the United States, subject to jurisdictional authority under the Clean Water Act, including wetlands, will be impacted by the proposed project.

DATE: _____

- No impacts to jurisdictional Waters of the United States.
- Impacts to Waters of the United States, 404 permit obtained, no 401 water quality certification required.
- Impacts to Waters of the United States, 404 permit and 401 water quality certification obtained.
- Impacts to jurisdictional wetlands, a mitigation plan is being developed in consultation with the appropriate agencies.

6 GROUND WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS: Determine if the project will impound water that discharges into ground water and if a Notice of Intent to discharge to ground water is required.

DATE: _____

- No discharges into ground water and no additional coordination required.
- Discharges into ground water have been identified, mitigation measures developed in consultation with the appropriate agencies.



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7 RIGHT-OF-WAY REQUIREMENTS: Determine if new right-of-way, construction maintenance easement (CME), temporary construction permit (TCP), or work permits are needed.

DATE: _____

- No new right-of-way is required for the proposed project.
- New right-of-way is required. The amount and type of right-of-way required is:

8 TEMPORARY EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL: Determine if the provisions of the NPDES General Permit issued by the EPA apply to the proposed project.

DATE: _____

- Less than 0.4 hectares (1 acre) of earth disturbed, NPDES General Permit not required.
- The project will disturbed Less than 0.4 hectares (1 acre) of earth, but is located near perennial streams; therefore, a TESCP is being developed.
- More than 0.4 hectares (1 acre) of earth disturbed, a SWPPP is being prepared in accordance with the NPDES General Permit issued by the EPA.

9 REVEGETATION PLAN: Determine if Revegetation of the project area is needed after construction is completed.

DATE: _____

- No Revegetation of construction area needed.
- Revegetation of construction area needed and Revegetation plan developed.

10 NOXIOUS WEEDS: Determine if noxious weeds recognized by the New Mexico Department of Agriculture are present within the project limits.

DATE: _____

- No noxious weeds are present and no additional coordination required.
- Noxious weeds identified, mitigation measures developed and coordination completed. The species and classification (A, B and/or C) of noxious weeds identified within the project limits are:

11 AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS: Determine if the project will affect air quality, if permits are required, if it is located in a non-attainment or maintenance area, and if state or local regulations apply.

DATE: _____

- No air quality issues identified and no additional coordination needed.
- Air quality issues identified and regulatory agency coordination completed.



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12 NOISE ANALYSIS: Determine if noise levels associated with the proposed project will impact receptors on adjacent properties and determine if local noise abatement ordinances apply.

DATE: _____

- No noise issues identified and no additional coordination required.
 Noise impacts identified and mitigation measures developed.

13 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ANALYSIS: Conduct Hazardous Materials investigations, as appropriate

DATE: _____

- No additional investigations are required.
 Additional investigations are required. These will be accomplished as follows:

14 OTHER ANALYSIS: Determine if any other environmental requirements/issues apply to the proposed project that have not been addressed in the previous sections 1 – 13.

DATE: _____

- No other environmental requirements/issues identified and no additional coordination required.
 Additional environmental requirements/issues identified:



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15 SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITMENTS:

Commitments to be included in the construction plans:

- 1.

Other commitments:

- 1.

The proposed project will have no significant impact on the quality of the human or natural environment, either singularly or cumulatively, provided stipulations identified during this analysis are met. Supporting documentation is available at the following location:

_____	_____	_____	_____
Environmental Professional	Date	Engineer / Local Govt Authority	Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
NMDOT Env Program Manager	Date	Federal Highway Administration	Date