

**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (NEPA)  
COMPLIANCE RECORD FOR CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS (CX)  
U.S. Department of Interior  
Bureau of Land Management**

**PART I. – PROPOSED ACTION**

**BLM Office:** Hassayampa FO  
2014-0028-CX

**NEPA No.:** DOI-BLM-AZ-P010-

**Case File No.:** AZA-31018

**Proposed Action Title/Type:** Road Right-of-Way Assignment

**Applicant:** Janice Cox-Arcaro

**Location of Proposed Action:** T. 12 N., R. 1 E., Section 9, Lot 7, NE<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>SW<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>..

**Description of Proposed Action:** Janice Cox-Arcaro has requested the assignment of R/W AZA-31018 from Charles B. Baker. This R/W was issued in 2000 for a 30 year term. The R/W is 3300' long an 20' wide. Ms. Cox-Arcaro is not requesting any changes to the R/W.

**Part II. – PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW**

**This proposed action is subject to the following land use plan(s):** The Bradshaw-Harquahala Resource Management Plan (RMP); as amended.

**Decisions and page nos.:** page 33, under Land Use Authorizations, LR-25. "Continue to issue land use authorizations (rights-of-way, leases, permits, easements) on a case-by-case basis and in accordance with resource management prescriptions in this land use plan."

**Date plan approved/amended:** April 2010

This proposed action has been reviewed for conformance with these plans (*43 CFR 1610.5-3, BLM Manual 1601.04.C.2*).



The action has been reviewed to determine if any of the extraordinary circumstances (43 CFR 46.215(a)-(l)) apply. The project would:

(a) Have significant impacts on public health or safety.

|            |                                     |                                |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|            |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

(b) Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas.

|            |                                     |                                |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|            |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

(c) Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources [NEPA section 102 (2) (E)].

|            |                                     |                                |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|            |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

(d) Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks.

|            |                                     |                                |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|            |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

(e) Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principal about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects.

|            |                                     |                                |
|------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <b>Yes</b> | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|            |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

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|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <p>(f) Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects.</p>  |                                     |                                |
| Yes   | No                                  | Rationale:                     |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| <p>(g) Have significant impacts on properties listed, or eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places as determined by the bureau.</p>   |                                     |                                |
| Yes   | No                                  | Rationale:                     |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| <p>(h) 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.</p> |                                     |                                |
| Yes   | No                                  | Rationale:                     |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| <p>(i) Violate a Federal law, or a State, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment.</p>   |                                     |                                |
| Yes   | No                                  | Rationale:                     |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| <p>(j) Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898).</p>   |                                     |                                |
| Yes   | No                                  | Rationale:                     |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |

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|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| (k) 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 (Executive Order 13007).   |                                     |                                |
| <b>Yes</b>  | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| (l) 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 and Executive Order 13112). |                                     |                                |
| <b>Yes</b>  | <b>No</b>                           | <b>Rationale:</b>              |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                                |
|   |                                     | Preparer's Initials <u>JVA</u> |
| <b>PART V. -COMPLIANCE REVIEW CONCLUSION</b>  |                                     |                                |
| I have reviewed this plan conformance and NEPA compliance record, and have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with the approved land use plan and that no further environmental analysis is required.   |                                     |                                |
| <b>MITIGATION MEASURES/OTHER REMARKS:</b> None - All terms of the original grant apply.   |                                     |                                |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div style="width: 60%;"> <p>APPROVING OFFICIAL: <u>D. Pennington Hawes</u></p> <p>TITLE: <u>Field Manager</u></p> </div> <div style="width: 35%;"> <p>DATE: <u>5/23/2014</u></p> </div> </div>                         |                                     |                                |

Note: The signed conclusion on this compliance record is part of an interim step in the BLM's internal decision process and does not constitute an appealable decision. A separate decision to implement the action should be prepared in accordance with program specific guidance.

BLM  
Phoenix District Office  
PLANNING & COMPLIANCE  
**PROJECT INITIATION FORM**



**PROJECT INFORMATION**

|            |  |           |                         |
|------------|--|-----------|-------------------------|
| PRJ. NAME  | Arcaro-Baker Road R/W Assignment             | OFFICE    | Hassayampa Field Office |
| LEAD       | Andersen                                     | FILE No.  | AZA-31018               |
| LOCATION   | T. 12 N., R. 1 E., Section 9, Lot 7, NE¼SW¼. | APPLICANT | Janice Cox-Arcaro       |
| START DATE | 5/12/14                                      | END DATE  | 5/30/14                 |
| NEPA No.   | DOI-BLM-AZ-P010-2014-0028-CX                 | FBMS / CC |                         |

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION** (summary only; a more detailed description may be attached on a separate sheet if necessary)

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**ANTICIPATED COMPLIANCE NEEDS**

|   |    |           |                  |
|---|----|-----------|------------------|
| NEPA LEVEL  | CX | CITE/REF. | 516 DM 11 E. (9) |
| IDT MEMBERS   |    |           |                  |
| Tibbitts  |    |           |                  |
| SCOPING (consult with PEC and Manager)              |    |           |                  |
| OTHER (e.g. ESA §7, NHPA §106, etc.)                |    |           |                  |
| Per the DLT, assignments do not require IDT review. |    |           |                  |

**SIGNATURES**

*I agree to execute the compliance for this project fully and in accordance with BLM policy and guidelines, and will maintain an administrative record sufficiently documenting these efforts.*

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/6/2014  
Project Lead

*I certify that this project aligns with the established priorities for the office and has my permission to proceed.*

Signature: [Signature] Date: 5/7/2014  
Field Office Manager

EA/EIS ONLY

*I have reviewed this project for conformance with district priorities and capabilities and it has my permission to proceed*

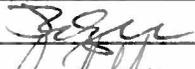
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Manager

**PRELIMINARY SCOPING WORKSHEET**

**Project Name**    Arcaro-Baker Road R/W Assignment

**Determination Key**

NP = Not Present in the area affected by the proposed or alternative actions.  
 NI = Present but Not Impacted to a degree that detailed analysis is required.  
 PI = Present and Potentially Impacted such that detailed analysis is necessary.  
 NC = No Change in impacts from those already analyzed in prior existing EA/EIS for the action (DNAs only; reference EA/EIS in "citation" box).  
 UN = Presence or effect UNknown. Additional investigation is necessary/recommended.

| Determination ✓                     |    |    |    |    | Resource/Concern  | Specialist      | Signature   | Date    |
|-------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|---|-----------------|---|---------|
| NP                                  | NI | PI | NC | UN |   |                 |   |         |
| <b>ECOLOGICAL</b>                   |    |    |    |    |   |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Air   |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Water (quality, hydrology, etc.)                            |                 |   |         |
|                                     | X  |    |    |    | Wildlife / Habitat (incl. TE/SS species)                    | Coleen Carter   |    | 5-12-14 |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Vegetation (incl. weeds, fuels)                             |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Soils / Geologic  |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | WHB   |                 |   |         |
| <b>HUMAN / SOCIAL</b>               |    |    |    |    |   |                 |   |         |
|                                     | X  |    |    |    | Cultural / Historic Sites                                   | Bryan Lauder    |    | 5/12/14 |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Socioeconomic (induce growth, EJ, etc.)                     |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Visual / Aesthetics   |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Safety / Hazards  |                 |   |         |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Access / Travel   |                 |   |         |
| <b>COMPETING / CONFLICTING USES</b> |    |    |    |    |   |                 |   |         |
|                                     | X  |    |    |    | Mining  | Joe Sampson     |  | 5/12/14 |
|                                     | X  |    |    |    | Grazing   | J. Holden       |  | 5/12/14 |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Rights-of-Way   |                 |   |         |
|                                     | X  |    |    |    | Recreation  | MARY SKORDINSKY |  | 5/12/14 |
|                                     |    |    |    |    | Special Management Areas<br>(ACECs, Wilderness, W&SR, etc.) |                 |   |         |

Remarks/Notes

| FILE COPY      | Init. | Init. | Date      |
|----------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Author         | CH    |       | 5/21/14   |
| ADM/Prog Mgr.  |       |       |           |
| Field/Mon Mgr. | Pa    |       | 5/22/2014 |
| District Mgr.  |       |       |           |

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AZA-31018

CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED NO. 7013 0600 0000 5945 1669

DECISION

Janice Cox-Arcaro  
P.O. Box 1341  
Mayer, AZ 86333

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Assignment of AZA-31018

Assignment Approved

On May 1, 2000, Right-of-Way AZA-31018 was granted to Charles B. Baker, for road (3,300' long and 20' wide) pursuant to Title V of the Federal Land Policy Management Act of October 21, 1976 (90 Stat. 2776; 43 U.S.C. 1761) affecting the following described public lands:

T. 12 N., R. 1 E., G&SRM, Arizona  
Section 9, Lot 7, NE¼SW¼.

On May 2, 2014, a request for the assignment of AZA-31018 was filed by Janice Cox-Arcaro with a concurrence statement from Charles B. Baker.

Janice Cox-Arcaro has agreed to be bound by all terms and conditions of Right-of-Way grant AZA-31018. A copy of the original grant is enclosed. Rent for this right-of-way is current through December 31, 2020.

This request is approved, and Right-of-Way AZA-31018 is hereby assigned to Janice Cox-Arcaro.

Sincerely,

**D. REMINGTON HAWES**

Rem Hawes  
Field Manager

Enclosure

cc: Charles B. Baker  
4020 W. Calavar  
Phoenix, AZ 85053

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