

**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

Tres Rios Field Office
29211 HWY 184
Dolores, CO 81323

DECISION RECORD

For the
HWY 141 Dry Creek Basin Culvert Maintenance Project
NEPA No. DOI-BLM-CO-S010-2015-0023-CX

I. Decision

I have decided to issue a short term right-of-way (ROW) to the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) for them to implement their culvert maintenance project as described in the June 1, 2015 HWY 141 Dry Creek Basin Culvert Maintenance Project Categorical Exclusion document. Based on my review of the categorical exclusion and consideration of extraordinary circumstances, I have concluded that the proposed action was analyzed in sufficient detail to allow me to make an informed decision. I have decided to implement the HWY 141 Dry Creek Basin Culvert Maintenance Project because the proposed activity will provide an improved roadway upon which in and out-of-state travelers can drive without fear of road bed collapse or catastrophic failure when crossing over the twin culverts on BLM lands.

II. Rationale for the Decision

The proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under the NEPA H-1790-1 Handbook, Section E – Realty, CX # 19 that states,

“Issuance of a short-term (3 years or less) rights-of-way or land use authorization for such uses as storage sites, apiary sites, and construction sites where the proposal includes rehabilitation to restore the land to its natural or original condition.”

All criteria required for this action to qualify as a Categorical Exclusion have been met. The construction project will be completed within three years or less; all staging activities will be confined to the parameters outlined in the short-term ROW grant associated with this CX.

III. Administrative Review and Appeal

This decision shall take effect immediately upon the date it is signed by the Authorized Officer (Tres Rios Field Office Manager), and shall remain in effect while any appeal is pending unless the Interior Board of Land Appeals issues a stay (43 CFR 2801.10(b)). Any appeal of this decision must follow the procedures set forth in 43 CFR Part 4.

Within 30 days of the decision, a notice of appeal must be filed in the office of the Authorized Officer at the Tres Rios Field Office, 29211 Highway 184, Dolores, CO 81323. If a statement of reasons for the appeal is not included with the notice, it must be filed with the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of Hearings and Appeals, U.S. Department of the Interior, 801 North Quincy St., Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22203 within 30 days after the notice of appeal is filed with the Authorized Officer.

IV. Signature



Connie Clementson
Field Manager

Date

6-8-15

IV. Contact Person

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