

# Categorical Exclusion Documentation Format When Using Categorical Exclusions Not Established by Statute

## A. Background

BLM Office: Rock Springs Field Office Lease/Serial/Case File No.: WYW101918

CX Number: DOI-BLM-D040-2016-0120CX

Right-of-Way Applicant/Holder: Sweetwater County

Proposed Action Title/Type: Renewal of County Road 4-55 Snow fence

Location of Proposed Action: T. 19 N., R. 97 W., section 18, W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , 6<sup>th</sup> P.M.

Sweetwater County

Description of Proposed Action: Right-of-way renewal for an existing snow fence along County Road 4-55, 500 feet long, 20 feet wide, containing .23 acres, more or less.

## B. Land Use Plan Conformance

Land Use Plan (LUP) Name: Green River Resource Management Plan and Record of Decision (signed August 8, 1997) as amended by the Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan Amendments for the Rocky Mountain Region, Including the Greater Sage-Grouse Sub-Regions of Lewistown, North Dakota, Northwest Colorado, and Wyoming (signed September 21, 2015).

Date Approved/Amended: August 8, 1997/September 21, 2015

The proposed action is in conformance with the applicable LUP because it is specifically provided for in the following LUP decision(s): Page 9 of the RMP

*"The objectives for the management of the land and realty program are to: 1) manage the public lands to support the goals and objectives of other resource programs; 2) respond to public demand for land use authorizations..."*

The proposed action is in conformance with the LUP, even though it is not specifically provided for, because it is clearly consistent with the following LUP decision(s) (objectives, terms, and conditions): N/A

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## C: Compliance with NEPA:

The Proposed Action is categorically excluded from further documentation under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 516 DM 11.9, E.9.

*"Renewals and assignments of leases, permits, or rights-of-way where no additional rights are conveyed beyond those granted by the original authorizations."*

This categorical exclusion is appropriate in this situation because there are no extraordinary circumstances potentially having effects that may significantly affect the environment. The

proposed action has been reviewed, and none of the extraordinary circumstances described in 516 DM2 apply.

**D. Stipulations**

Sweetwater County agrees to comply with and be bound by all terms and conditions of the right-of-way grant.

**E: Preparer/s**

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