Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Policy 403.1), I have made the following determination:

FOR CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATIONS

The proposed action for the purposes of the proposed decision in the Rationale above falls within a class of actions that is listed in Appendix A or B to 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D. To fall within the classes of actions listed in 10 CFR Part 1021, Subpart D, Appendix A, a proposal must be one that would not (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and/or permits; (3) involve releases (including ground water releases) or emissions; (4) be potentially significant in terms of the potential to cause significant environmental or archaeological effects; and (5) be potentially significant in terms of the potential to cause significant cumulative effects. The proposed action is not related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.27(b)(7)) and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1508.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211 concerning limitations on actions during preparation of an environmental impact statement.

A portion of the proposed action is categorically excluded from further NEPA review. The NEPA Reviewer identifies Topic Areas, Budget Periods, tasks, and/or subtasks that are subject to additional NEPA review.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Jesse Garcia

Date: 3/9/2022

NEPA Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION

Field Office Manager review not required

Field Office Manager review not required

BASED ON MY REVIEW, I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NOD:

Field Office Manager's Signature: 

Date: 