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# U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
## EERE PROJECT MANAGEMENT CENTER
## NEPA DETERMINATION

**RECIPIENT:** City of Cincinnati **STATE:** OH

**PROJECT TITLE :** Cincinnati City ARRA- EECBG Act 3 (Mill Creek Restoration Project)

| Funding Opportunity Announcement Number | Procurement Instrument Number | NEPA Control Number | CID Number |
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**Based on my review of the information concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (authorized under DOE Order 451.1A), I have made the following determination:**

**CX, EA, EIS APPENDIX AND NUMBER:**

Description:

**A11** Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

**A9** Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, audits), data analysis (including computer modeling), document preparation (such as conceptual design or feasibility studies, analytical energy supply and demand studies), and dissemination (including, but not limited to, document mailings, publication, and distribution; and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring.

**B3.1** Onsite and offsite site characterization and environmental monitoring, including siting, construction (or modification), operation, and dismantlement or closing (abandonment) of characterization and monitoring devices and siting, construction, and associated operation of a small-scale laboratory building or renovation of a room in an existing building for sample analysis. Activities covered include, but are not limited to, site characterization and environmental monitoring under CERCLA and RCRA. Specific activities include, but are not limited to:

Rational for determination:

The Project Activity Sheet (PAS) titled "Mill Creek Restoration Project" submitted by the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, includes funding of feasibility studies, property and utility surveys, geotechnical analyses, preliminary engineering and landscape drawings, due diligence documentation, and NEPA documentation related to two proposed sections of bike trail that are included in Phase 2 of the City of Cincinnati's Queen City-South Mill Creek Greenway Trail program. EECBG funds will not be used for construction.

The Mill Creek Restoration Project (i.e., Phase 2 of the City of Cincinnati's Queen City-South Mill Creek Greenway Trail), as described in the PAS, is categorically excluded from further NEPA review under A9, A11 and B5.1.

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

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You are required to:
If you intend to make changes to the scope or objective of your project you are required to contact the Project Officer identified in Block 11 of the Notice of Financial Assistance Award before proceeding. You must receive notification of approval from the DOE Contracting Officer prior to commencing with work beyond that currently approved.

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

**SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.**

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Steve Blazek Date: 4/28/2010

NEPA Compliance Officer