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

RECIPIENT: Oregon Department of Energy **STATE:** OR

PROJECT TITLE : Oregon Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant - Formula-EECBG: video conferencing

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000013	DE-EE0000926		EE0

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:

B1.7 Acquisition, installation, operation, and removal of communication systems, data processing equipment, and similar electronic equipment.

B5.1 Actions to conserve energy, demonstrate potential energy conservation, and promote energy-efficiency that do not increase the indoor concentrations of potentially harmful substances. These actions may involve financial and technical assistance to individuals (such as builders, owners, consultants, designers), organizations (such as utilities), and state and local governments. Covered actions include, but are not limited to: programmed lowering of thermostat settings, placement of timers on hot water heaters, installation of solar hot water systems, installation of efficient lighting, improvements in generator efficiency and appliance efficiency ratings, development of energy-efficient manufacturing or industrial practices, and small-scale conservation and renewable energy research and development and pilot projects. The actions could involve building renovations or new structures in commercial, residential, agricultural, or industrial sectors. These actions do not include rulemakings, standard-settings, or proposed DOE legislation.

Rational for determination:

The Oregon Department of Energy will pass through $30,000 of EECBG funding to the County of Lakeview to establish video conferencing capabilities in three (3) Lake County buildings - the Courthouse, the Public Health Building and the Mental Health Building.

Two (2) of the buildings already have fiber optic lines inside the building and this project will involve connecting to those lines for video conferencing; one (1) building will have fiber optic lines pulled into the building, from the street, through existing conduit (no trenching involved) and installation of video conferencing equipment which will includes cameras, monitors, microphones and speakers.

This project does not involve any ground disturbance or structural construction. Fiber optic cables are currently located outside the buildings and will be connect via an existing conduit. Installation of these systems will provide opportunity for less travel to off site locations, reducing gasoline and energy resources.

This project comprises "actions to conserve energy" and installation of communication systems; therefore a CX B5.1 and B1.7 apply.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

None Given.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: Kristin Kerum Date: 4/20/2010

NEPA Compliance Officer