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

RECIPIENT: Greenville County

STATE: SC

PROJECT TITLE : Sidewalks to School

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE_FOA_0000013	EE0000947	GFO-0000947-005	0

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:

B1.13 Pathways, short access roads, and rail lines
Construction, acquisition, and relocation, consistent with applicable right-of-way conditions and approved land use or transportation improvement plans, of pedestrian walkways and trails, bicycle paths, small outdoor fitness areas, and short access roads and rail lines (such as branch and spur lines).

Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided funding to the County of Greenville (Greenville) under the DOE's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG). Greenville proposes to use ~$1,091,324 of its EECBG funding to construct additional sidewalks near local schools.

Greenville has submitted this type of project to DOE for review and approval and received a categorical exclusion for both prior submissions (DE-EE0000947.001 and GFO-0000947-003).

The proposed sidewalks now under consideration will have a width of 5ft and a total of 2,590 linear feet. As in the previous projects, the proposed sidewalks will be installed in public right of ways. The proposed sidewalks will all occur in developed residential areas where the ground has been previously disturbed from development. No extensive trenching or ditching will be required, nor will any underground utility be required outside of a few pole relocations. Ground disturbance will be limited to grading. The proposed sidewalks will not have adverse effects to threatened and endangered species, wetlands, floodplains, or cultural resources as these resources are not known to be present at any of the proposed sidewalk sites.

Based on review of project information and the above analysis, DOE has determined that the construction of the proposed sidewalks do not have a significant individual or cumulative impacts to the human environment. DOE has determined the proposed sidewalk project is consistent with the actions contained in DOE categorical exclusion B1.13 "pathways" as the construction of the sidewalks is consistent with applicable right of way and land use conditions and is categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX B1.13.

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

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 :

DOE funding $1,091,324.
EF2a prepared by Melissa Rossiter.

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: _____ Date: 12/13/2011
NEPA Compliance Officer

FIELD OFFICE MANAGER DETERMINATION

☐ Field Office Manager review required

NCO REQUESTS THE FIELD OFFICE MANAGER REVIEW FOR THE FOLLOWING REASON:

☐ Proposed action fits within a categorical exclusion but involves a high profile or controversial issue that warrants Field Office Manager's attention.
☐ Proposed action falls within an EA or EIS category and therefore requires Field Office Manager's review and determination.

BASED ON MY REVIEW I CONCUR WITH THE DETERMINATION OF THE NCO :

Field Office Manager's Signature: _____ Date: _____
Field Office Manager