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



RECIPIENT: Idaho Office of Energy Resources - City of McCall

STATE: ID

**PROJECT TITLE :** SEP ARRA REEZ McCall Solar City Project

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
DE-FOA-0000052	DE-EE0000141	GFO-09-156-006	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:

**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 State of Idaho will provide \$171,957 in Recovery Act funds to the City of McCall to install photovoltaic solar panels on public, non-profit, and private commercial properties within the McCall city limits. One system is a solar-thermal system, the remaining are power production systems. The power production systems will connect to Idaho Power Company through net metering. The total capacity of the multiple installations will not exceed 60 kW, which is the upper limit of the SEP Template.

The following facilities will be equipped with the solar PV systems:

- 1) McPaws Animal Shelter 831 S. 3rd - 2.1 kW
- 2) Bowes Company 195 Commerce Street - 4.2 kW
- 3) City Airport 336 Deinhard Lane - 11.55 kW
- 4) Rudy's Gym 106 N. 3rd Street Solar Thermal – est. @10,000 BTU/Hr Max.
- 5) My Father's Place 901 N. 3rd Street - 1.05 kW
- 6) Foglifter 1003 N. 3rd Street - 2.1 kW
- 7) Hotel McCall 1101 N. 3rd Street - 6.3 kW
- 8) Aspen Market 1609 Davis Avenue - 2.1 kW
- 9) Star News 1000 First Street - 1.47 kW
- 10) Si Bueno 339 Deinhard Lane - 6.3 kW

The work identified is within the limits identified in the SEP Template. The State Historical Preservation Office has reviewed the selected sites and concluded that the "properties are not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places" and that the sites "will have no effect on historic properties".

Based on the information provided by the State, the work outlined is consistent with work identified in Categorical Exclusion B5.1.

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

According to the project officer, funding for this project is \$171,957. Absent a significant change in the scope of the effort, a change in funding will not affect my determination.

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

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
NEPA Compliance Officer

Date: 7/29/10  
7/8/2010

**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: \_\_\_\_\_  
Field Office Manager

Date: \_\_\_\_\_