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



RECIPIENT: City of Peru

STATE: IL

**PROJECT TITLE :** Peru Community Wind Project

Funding Opportunity Announcement Number	Procurement Instrument Number	NEPA Control Number	CID Number
CDP	DE-EE0003280	GFO-10-393	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:

- 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.
- C12** Siting, construction, and operation of energy system prototypes including, but not limited to, wind resource, hydropower, geothermal, fossil fuel, biomass, and solar energy pilot projects.

**Rational for determination:**

The City of Peru proposes to use Congressionally Directed Federal Funding through the DOE to install a 1.5-2.0 MW wind turbine to save on the city's electricity expenses, and allow the city to fund other necessary programs/services. The city plans to share the information gathered with universities, colleges, and other agencies.

**Tasks include:**

- Task 1.0 Environmental Assessment
- Task 2.0 Procure Wind Turbine
- Task 3.0 Select Wind Turbine Installation Company
  - Subtask 3.1 Release Request For Proposal (RFP)
  - Subtask 3.2 Select Wind Turbine Installation Company
- Task 4.0 Installation of Wind Turbine
  - Subtask 4.1 Install Roads
  - Subtask 4.2 Install Electrical
  - Subtask 4.3 Excavate / Install Grounding

Impacts to this proposed activity are not known at this time; therefore an Environmental Assessment will need to be conducted for activities including, procurement and installation of the wind turbine.

Task 1 and 3 involve information gathering and administrative activities; therefore a CX A9 apply.

Tasks 2 and 4 will require the completion of an EA; therefore a C12 determination is applied to these tasks.

**NEPA PROVISION**

DOE has made a conditional NEPA determination for this award, and funding for certain tasks under this award is contingent upon the final NEPA determination.

Insert the following language in the award:

You are restricted from taking any action using federal funds, which would have an adverse affect on the environment or limit the choice of reasonable alternatives prior to DOE/NNSA providing either a NEPA clearance or a final NEPA decision regarding the project.

Prohibited actions include:

- Task 2.0: Procurement wind turbine
- Task 4.0: Installation of the wind turbine

DOE funds are not authorized on all activities under tasks 2.0 and 4.0 in addition to project activities which involve final design, capital equipment purchase, project site preparations, and all construction activities prior to the outcome of the Environmental Assessment.

This restriction does not preclude you from:

Projects tasks 1.0 and 3.0 (excluding final design under task 3.0)

The City of Peru is authorized to initiate the preparation of an EA by a third-party contractor, consistent with DOE NEPA implementing regulations. DOE, City of Peru and third-party contractor shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) defining the scope of services to be completed by the third-party contractor on behalf of DOE.

If you move forward with activities that are not authorized for federal funding by the DOE Contracting Officer in advance of the final NEPA decision, you are doing so at risk of not receiving federal funding and such costs may not be recognized as allowable cost share.

Insert the following language in the award:

You are required to:

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Note to Specialist :

Eugene brown 6/3/2010  
Revised by LM 6/17/2010

This project involves task which are unallowable under NEPA prior to an EA determination by the GO Manager. NEPA requests that this project be placed on ASAP Approval.

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

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature:

  
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NEPA Compliance Officer

Date:

6/17/10

**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:

  
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Field Office Manager

Date:

6/21/10