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



RECIPIENT: Oregon Department of Energy

STATE: OR

PROJECT TITLE : PY 12 State Energy Program Formula Grant

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| Funding Opportunity Announcement Number | Procurement Instrument Number | NEPA Control Number | CID Number |
| DE-FOA-0000643 | DE-EE0003450 | GFO-0003450-003 | |

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, analysis, and dissemination** Information gathering (including, but not limited to, literature surveys, inventories, site visits, and audits), data analysis (including, but not limited to, computer modeling), document preparation (including, but not limited to, conceptual design, feasibility studies, and analytical energy supply and demand studies), and information dissemination (including, but not limited to, document publication and distribution, and classroom training and informational programs), but not including site characterization or environmental monitoring. (See also B3.1 of appendix B to this subpart.)
- A11 Technical advice and assistance to organizations** Technical advice and planning assistance to international, national, state, and local organizations.

Rational for determination:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) provided \$387,000 of federal funding to the State of Oregon under the DOE's Annually Appropriated State Energy Program (SEP) for 2012. Oregon will match the federal funding with \$77,400 in state funds. Additionally, Oregon will carry over \$16,048 in federal appropriations, for a total of \$480,448.

Oregon proposes to fund the following Market Titles:

SEP Oversight, Policy and Guidance:

Under this Market Title, Oregon Department of Energy (ODOE) would use funding to provide administrative oversight of the State Energy Program. This includes development and oversight of program activities, participation in workshops/conferences, and management, policy and guidance for the State program.

Residential Energy Tax Credit Program:

Under this Market Title, funding would provide continued administrative oversight of the Tax Credit program. ODOE would also oversee a Contractor Training and Certification program, and outreach and education programs.

Energy Efficient Schools Initiative:

Under this Market Title, funding would be used for ODOE staff to administer the programs which include Cool Schools Initiative, technical and business case assistance, and provide financial incentive options to school districts. Cool School Initiative hopes to leverage \$7 million in third party financing to fund energy audits, energy efficiency measures and technical assistance for Oregon K-12 public schools. No federal funding will be used to fund energy-efficient measures; federal funds will be used for salaries and overhead to administer the program.

Based on a review of the activities that would be funded under the above Market Titles, DOE has determined the projects that would be funded under these Market Titles will not significantly impact the human environment and they are categorically excluded from further NEPA review under CX A9 "information gathering," and CX A11 "technical advice."

NEPA PROVISION

DOE has made a final NEPA determination for this award

Insert the following language in the award:

Note to Specialist :

Diana Scott 6.22.2012

DOE Funds: \$387,000
Leverage Funds: \$93,448
Total Project Costs: \$480,448

SIGNATURE OF THIS MEMORANDUM CONSTITUTES A RECORD OF THIS DECISION.

NEPA Compliance Officer Signature: *Kimberly Keen* NEPA Compliance Officer Date: 6/26/2012

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