

Project title:	<b>Trinity Line Cat Building Installation</b>		
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Date Submitted:		Date Required:	November 3, 2010

**Description of the Project:**

Western Area Power Administration (Western) proposes to install a 33 ft. x 70 ft. pre-fabricated metal structure and 1,000 linear feet of fencing. The structure will be anchored on top of an existing concrete slab which is part of an old building foundation. The structure will be used to store line maintenance equipment and materials.

**Location of the Project:**

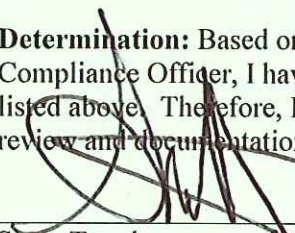
The project site is approximately 6 miles northeast of the unincorporated community of Lewiston on Power House Road, off Trinity Dam Boulevard (See Location Map). The structure would be located adjacent to the Trinity Substation south of Trinity Dam in Trinity County, CA.


USGS Quad Map: Trinity Dam

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**Attachments:**

Location Map

<b>Action taken</b>		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Categorical Exclusion (CX)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environmental Requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Integral Elements
<p><b>Determination:</b> Based on my review of information provided to me concerning the proposed action as NEPA Compliance Officer, I have determined that the proposed action meets the requirements for the categorical exclusion listed above. Therefore, I have determined that the proposed action may be categorically excluded from further NEPA review and documentation.</p>		
 <hr/> Steve Tuggle NEPA Compliance Officer	11/3/10 <hr/> Date <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved	

CC: Requestor: Brian Adams	File Code:	Assigned to: Ricardo Velarde	Project #: 101101	Environmental Specialist- Date:  11/03/10
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Western Area Power Administration Sierra Nevada Region	<b>CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION (CX) DETERMINATION</b>	<b>Project Number</b> 101101
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Integral Elements

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**Category of Action:** B1.15 Siting/construction/operation of support buildings/support structures.

**Regulatory Requirements for a Categorical Exclusion Determination:** The Department of Energy (DOE), National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Procedures, 10 CFR 1021.410(b) require the following determinations be made in order for a proposed action to be categorically excluded (see full text in regulation).

1. The proposed action fits within a class of action listed in Appendixes A and B to Subpart D. For classes of actions listed in Appendix B, the following conditions are integral elements; i.e., to fit within a class, the proposal must not:
  - a. Threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, including requirements of DOE and/or Executive Orders.
  - b. Require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities, but may include categorically excluded facilities.
  - c. Disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products preexisting in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or un-permitted releases; or
  - d. Adversely affect environmentally sensitive resources (including but not limited to those listed in paragraph B (4)).
2. There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal which may affect the significance of the environmental effects of the proposal;
3. The proposal is not connected to other actions with potentially significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(I)), is not related to other actions with cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(2)), and is not precluded by 40 CFR 1506.1 or 10 CFR 1021.211.

**Results of Review:** In accordance with DOE environmental regulations (10 CFR 1021), The Western Area Power Administration (Western) has reviewed the proposed action in terms of the level of NEPA review needed. Based on this review, Western has determined the proposal is encompassed within a class of action listed in Appendix B to Subpart D (10 CFR 1021.410) which do not require preparation of either an environmental impact statement (EIS) or an environmental assessment (EA).

The proposed action meets the above regulatory criteria and there are no adverse environmental effects associated with this action.