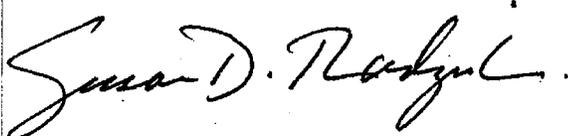
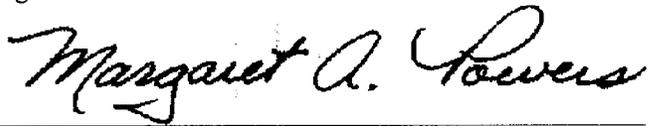


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Project/Activity Title: TA-49 Bandelier Wildfire Building Replacement		Accession No: 12415 LAN-06-002	Date: Dec. 08, 2005
Location: TA-49	Schedule: FY 06	Cost:	
DOE Program Office:	Non-DOE Sponsor: NPS		
Project Contact: Gene Darling, EMR, 667-6211, MS C938			
Preparer/Contact: Susan Radzinski, LANL ENV-ECO Signature: 		NEPA Reviewer: Margaret A. Powers, LANL ENV-ECO Signature: 	

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION:

Under an Interagency Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the National Park Service (NPS), the Department of Energy, and the Forest Service, DOE has authorized the NPS to construct a single permanent structure at TA-49. The NPS has a 20-year lease at that location. This new structure would be a two-story building, contain about 8,000 square foot, and have a footprint of about 65 square feet. The new building would replace the existing Bandelier Wildfire Building 49-0153, and would be relocated about 10-20 feet to the north of Building 49-0153. Building 49-0153, a double-wide transportable, would be used until the new building is operational and would then be removed from the site. The existing concrete pad under 49-0153 would then be used as a parking area for the new building. No new roads or parking areas would be developed. Existing utilities and septic system would be extended about 30 feet to the new building. There would be no new heli-pads, dip tanks, or any changes to their uses, and no changes to existing flight paths. The project area is not within a core or buffer zone for sensitive species, so there are no biological resources issues. No wetlands/floodplains are in the vicinity of the proposed action. There are no cultural resources or potential release site issues associated with this project. If any cultural site(s) are inadvertently discovered and can not be avoided, then a cultural resource data recovery plan for the excavation or testing of the archaeological site impacted by the project would be prepared and submitted to the State Historic Preservation Office for comments. Following approval of the plan, excavations of those impacted sites would be completed before any project ground disturbing activities.

NEPA DETERMINATION BASED ON ABOVE DESCRIPTION:

- Covered by prior NEPA review: Support Structures at LANL, LAN-96-022
- Requires EIS: 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D, Appendix D
- LANL recommended CX: 10 CFR 1021, Subpart D, Appendix B
- CX exception - Prepare EA (refer to appropriate sections of 10 CFR 1021 for full definition (check all that apply)):
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| <input type="checkbox"/> extraordinary circumstances (410(b)(2): _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> connected action (410(b)(3): _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> threaten violation of regulation (Subpart D, Appendix B (1)): | <input type="checkbox"/> siting or expansion of waste TSD facility (Subpart D, Appendix B (2)) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> uncontrolled release of hazardous substance (Subpart D, Appendix B (3)) | <input type="checkbox"/> adverse effect sensitive resource (Subpart D, Appendix B (4)) |
- None of the above: Prepare EA. [If applicable :10 CFR 1021, Subpart D, Appendix C]
- Other: _____

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Continuation Sheet:

NCO CLASSIFICATION/DETERMINATION:

The Proposed Action, the construction of a support structure, is categorically excluded from the need to prepare either an EA or EIS; see NEPA Review for Support Structures at LANL, LAN-96-022.

If changes are made to the scope of action so that it is no longer bound by the action described in the attached checklist, or is expanded to encompass other actions, NEPA requirements for the action will need to be reassessed at that time and further analysis may be required.

Signature:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Elizabeth R. Withers", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Date: December 9, 2005

Elizabeth R. Withers, NEPA Compliance Officer