

Department of Energy National Nuclear Security Administration Categorical Exclusion Determination Form



Categorical Exclusion ID#: NV-2025-020

Proposed Action Title: CTOS Eastern Region Administrative, Warehouse, and Training Office Activities

Program or Field Office: Nevada Field Office

Location(s) (City/County/State): Nevada National Security Site, Nye County, NV

Proposed Action Description

The Counter Terrorism Operations Support (CTOS) Administration, Warehouse, and Training Office would support CTOS activities on the East Coast, including the entire eastern region of the United States, as well as U.S. territories along the eastern seaboard (Puerto Rico, St. Thomas, etc.).

The facility is located in Edgewood, New York, in a commercially leased, light-industrial building. The general purpose of the facility would be for administration and general warehouse use. CTOS personnel would conduct classroom training and demonstration methods, interactive exercises, and drills. The area for the delivery of designated courses of instruction would include the Eastern Region Office as well as offsite locations as per the customer's request.

Activities might include pick-up and drop-off, use of equipment and materials required for training, and the storage of materials and equipment on site. Training aids could include radioactive materials and or sealed radioactive materials. These materials would be stored in a designated Radioactive Material Area (RMA), inspected, and approved by Radiological Control personnel under a Radiological Work Permit.

Categorical Exclusion(s) Applied

10 CFR 1021: Appendix B, B1.2 Training exercises and simulations and B1.15 Support Buildings

For the DOE procedures regarding categorical exclusions, including the full text of each categorical exclusion, see 10 CFR 1021.102 and Appendix B to 10 CFR Part 1021, and also Section 5.4 (Applying one or more categorical exclusions to a proposal) and Appendices B and C of the DOE National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures (June 30, 2025).

To find that a proposal is categorically excluded, DOE shall determine the following:

- (1) The proposal fits within one or more classes of actions listed in Appendix B and C of the DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures;
- (2) The proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion. Segmentation can occur when a proposal is broken down into small parts in order to avoid the appearance of significance of the total action. However, segmentation does not include proposals that are developed and potentially implemented over multiple phases where each phase results in a decision whether to proceed to the subsequent phase; and
- (3) There are no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal that indicate a normally excluded



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agency action is likely to have a reasonably foreseeable significant adverse effect.

The classes of actions listed in 10 CFR Part 1021, Appendix B, include the following conditions as integral elements of the classes of actions. To fit within the classes of actions in Appendix B, a proposal must be one that would not: (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environment, safety, and health, or similar requirements of DOE or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment facilities (including incinerators), but the proposal may include categorically excluded waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment actions or facilities; (3) disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or CERCLA-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that preexist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; (4) have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources, including, but not limited to, those listed in paragraph B(4) of 10 CFR Part 1021, Appendix B; (5) involve genetically engineered organisms, synthetic biology, governmentally designated noxious weeds, or invasive species, unless the proposed activity would be contained or confined in a manner designed and operated to prevent unauthorized release into the environment and conducted in accordance with applicable requirements, such as those of the Department of Agriculture, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the National Institutes of Health.

NEPA Compliance Officer Determination

Based on my review of information conveyed to me and in my possession concerning the proposed action, as NEPA Compliance Officer (as authorized under NNSA NAP 451.1 and DOE P 451.1), I have determined that the proposed action fits within the specified class(es) of action and I have reviewed the proposal for integral elements. I have determined that there are no extraordinary circumstances present and that the proposal has not been segmented to meet the definition of a categorical exclusion. Therefore, the application of a categorical exclusion is appropriate.

NEPA Compliance Officer: Patricia Gallo Date Determined: August 22, 2025