

**ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION STATEMENT SCREENING FORM  
FOR CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS with ASSURANCES (CCAA)**

**I. Project Information**

**A. Project name:**

**B. Affected species:**

**C. Project size (in acres):**

**D. Brief project description including conservation elements of the plan:**

**II. Does the CCAA fit the criteria as described in the CCAA policy? Each response should include an explanation.**

**A. Are the effects of the CCAA less than significant on the rangewide population of federally listed, proposed, or candidate species or other wildlife and their habitats covered under the CCAA?**

**B. Are the effects of the CCAA minor or negligible on other environmental values or resources (e.g. air quality, geology and soils, water quality and quantity, socio-economic, cultural resources, recreation, visual resources, etc.)?**

**C. Would the impacts of this CCAA, considered together with the impacts of other past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects not result, over time, in cumulative effects to environmental values or resources which would be considered significant? The same concept is also included in the exception to categorical exclusions, III. F. below.**

**III. Do any of the exceptions to categorical exclusions apply to this CCAA? (from 516 DM 2.3, Appendix 2) If the answer is “yes” to any of the questions below, the project can not be categorically excluded from NEPA. Each “no” response should include an explanation.**

**Would implementation of the CCAA:**

**A. Have significant adverse effects on public health or safety?**

**B. Have adverse effects on such unique geographic characteristics as historic or**

**cultural resources, park, recreation or refuge lands, wilderness areas, wild or scenic rivers, sole or principal drinking water aquifers, prime farmlands, wetlands, floodplains, or ecologically significant or critical areas, including those listed on the Department's National Register of Natural Landmarks?**

**C. Have highly controversial environmental effects?**

**D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?**

**E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?**

**F. Be directly related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects?**

**G. Have adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places?**

**H. Have adverse effects on listed or proposed species, or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species?**

**I. Have adverse effects on wetlands, floodplains or be considered a water development project thus requiring compliance with either Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Protection of Wetlands), or the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?**

**J. Threaten to violate a Federal, State, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?**

**IV. ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION STATEMENT**

Based on the analysis above, the \_\_\_\_\_ Project meets the qualifications for Candidate Conservation Agreement whose implementation represents a class of actions which do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, this action is categorically excluded from further NEPA documentation as provided by 516 DM 2, Appendix 1 and 516 DM 6, Appendix 1.

Other supporting documents (list): Candidate Conservation Agreement

Concurrence:

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(1) Field Supervisor

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Date

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(2) ARD - Ecological Services

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Date