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Subject: Revised Categorical Exclusion Worksheet and Instructions

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Dear Grantees:

Please be advised that the Region 8 Categorical Exclusion (CE) Worksheet has been revised and is attached for your use. It will assist you and FTA in complying with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other environmental laws, regulations and executive orders. Compliance with NEPA and other environmental requirements must be complete before FTA will issue a final determination and before you may proceed with certain activities including final design and construction.

Please use the revised CE Worksheet for all category c (c-list) CEs involving construction and all category d (d-list) CEs found in 23 CFR 771.118. As a reminder, a CE is not an exemption from NEPA or other applicable federal environmental laws, regulations, executive orders, and/or permits that also may apply to a project. A CE is for an action that does not individually or cumulatively result in any significant environmental impacts and for which an Environmental Assessment (EA) or Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required.

For guidance on completing the worksheet, please use the CE Worksheet Instructions (attached). The instructions provide guidance on the information to be provided in each part of the worksheet and on how to evaluate impacts. The completed CE worksheet should be submitted to the Region 8 EPS with sufficient time for review, especially if other environmental laws or permits apply, prior to submitting a grant application.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Tracey MacDonald, Region 8 Environmental Protection Specialist, at tracey.macdonald@dot.gov or (303) 362-2392.

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

[Categorical Exclusion \(CE\) Worksheet \(Word\)](#)
[CE Worksheet Instructions \(PDF\)](#)