

A PDF text file of the project's approved environmental compliance package containing the letter of compliance completion, categorical exclusion form, environmental screening form, and any other associated environmental clearance forms, as applicable (e.g., Wilderness Minimum Requirement Analysis, Wild and Scenic River Section 7 Analysis). The signed originals of the package are on file in the Environmental Planning and Compliance Office at Yosemite National Park.

Letter of Compliance Completion

To: Alexander Van Vechten, Project Manager, Yosemite National Park

From: Cicely Muldoon, Superintendent, Yosemite National Park

Subject: NEPA and NHPA Clearance: Temporary Restroom Trailer for NPS Protection Staff at Crane Flat (PEPC: 98624)

The Superintendent and park interdisciplinary team have reviewed the proposed project and completed an impact analysis and documentation, and have determined the following:

- There will not be any effect on threatened, endangered, or rare species and/or their critical habitat.
- There will be no adverse effect to historic properties.
- There will not be serious or long-term undesirable environmental or visual effects.

The subject proposed project, therefore, is now cleared for all NEPA and NHPA compliance requirements as presented above. Project plans and specifications are approved and construction and/or project implementation can commence.

Required Mitigations - For the proposed project actions to be within compliance requirements during construction and/or project implementation, the following mitigations must be adhered to:

- The restrooms shall not bear gender-specific markings; restrooms shall be gender neutral.
- All equipment must be thoroughly cleaned to minimize the introduction and movement of non-native plants (dirt, mud seeds or other potential contaminant attached to frame, tires, wheels, or other parts shall be thoroughly cleaned before moving work locations within the park). Re-clean equipment before returning to the project or staging area if it is removed from the general vicinity of the project or staging area.
- If previously unknown cultural resources are encountered, the project manager shall temporarily suspend work in the immediate area and contact the Cultural Resource Program Manager who will evaluate and determine appropriate action to protect resources, which could include consultation with appropriate parties (e.g., tribes, SHPO). Although not expected, should previously unknown American Indian burial sites be discovered, the Cultural Resource Program Manager will provide direction to follow provisions Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act requirements.
- Minor grading to level the trailer pad is approved; soil disturbance shall not exceed 16 inches below grade.
- The trailer will be painted Wosky Brown to blend with its surroundings and minimize it's impacts to the view from historic buildings.

- Only action explicitly described in PEPC 98624 are approved for implementation. Changes to plans or project scope must undergo review and approval by the Environmental Planning and Compliance office.
- Ensure the trailer is not accessible to bears and there's nothing that will attract bears or other habituated wildlife.
- Compliance with food-storage and garbage disposal requirements must be achieved at all times.

NHPA Recommendations for Conditions or Stipulations:

Trailer will be painted Wosky brown.

Superintendent Signature: Cicely Muldoon **Date**: March 30, 2022

The signed original of this document is on file at the Environmental Planning and Compliance Office in Yosemite National Park.



Categorical Exclusion Documentation Form (CE Form)

Project: Temporary Restroom Trailer for NPS Protection Staff at Crane Flat

PEPC Project Number: 98624

Description of Action (Project Description):

The project proposes to install a temporary restroom trailer with two handwashing sinks and two toilets at the Crane Flat Ranger Office (Crane Flat RO). This trailer will be used from approximately May to October annually for three years. The Crane Flat RO is located near the Tuolumne Grove parking area along Tioga Road and is operated out of a converted garage known as the "Tucker Shed." Rangers work in this space year-round, but the building has no handwashing or toilet facilities. In the winter months, Rangers have access to restroom facilities in a nearby seasonal housing unit, but in the summer months that unit is occupied with seasonal park employees and rangers may not use it. The proposed restroom trailer is a self-contained unit that will provide consistent access to handwashing and restroom facilities for Crane Flat RO employees during the summer season.

The temporary restroom trailer will be needed seasonally at the Crane Flat RO for approximately 3 years while a long-term planning effort identifies a solution to provide permanent restroom facilities. Multiple long-term solutions are currently being considered.

The trailer will be placed uphill of the Crane Flat RO, between it and a small utility shed. The proposed area is currently being used for storage of trailers and equipment. A pad for the trailer (approximately 25 feet by 20 feet) would undergo minor grading (no more than 16 inches below grade) to level the area. The grading area is slightly larger than the trailer footprint to accommodate for external stairs and to allow walk-around access to the trailer.

The trailer will connect to existing electrical infrastructure at the Crane Flat RO. The electrical box for the ranger office is on the north side of the building and the unit will connect to the trailer via an above-ground standard extension cord. The trailer has a refillable water reservoir as well as a blackwater tank. Water will be connected through a standard, above-ground garden hose. Blackwater will be serviced by an outside contractor as needed, estimated to be one or two times a season. No ground disturbance will be required to connect utilities. During the winter season, the restroom trailer would be stored in El Portal or Hodgdon Meadow at an existing park utility yard.

The park plans to install the trailer in spring 2022 to have handwashing stations and dedicated restrooms in place prior to the summer season.

Mitigation(s):

See Letter of Compliance Completion Form for mitigations.

CE Citation: 3.3.C.10 Installation of wells, comfort stations and pit toilets in areas of existing use and in developed areas.

Decision: I find that the action fits within the categorical exclusion above. Therefore, I am categorical excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No extraordinary circumstances apply			, ,
Superintendent Signature:	Cicely Muldoon	Date:	March 30, 2022

Extraordinary Circumstances:

If implemented, would the proposal	Yes/No	Explanation
A. Have significant impacts on public health or safety?	No	Project would improve public health/safe conditions for law enforcement rangers by improving access to sanitation facilities.
B. Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas?	No	None
C. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA section 102(2)(E))?	No	None
D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?	No	None
E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?	No	None
G. Have significant impacts on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, as determined by either the bureau or office?	No	None
H. Have significant impacts on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species?	No	None
I. Violate a federal, state, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?	No	None
J. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (EO 12898)?	No	None
K. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 130007)?	No	None
L. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?	No	None



ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF)

Updated Sept 2015 per NPS NEPA Handbook

A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: Temporary Restroom Trailer for NPS Protection Staff at Crane Flat

PEPC Project Number: 98624

Project Type: Other Administrative Activities (ADM)

Project Location: Crane Flat **County, State:** Mariposa, California

Project Leader: Alexander Van Vechten

B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

See Categorical Exclusion form

C. RESOURCE IMPACTS TO CONSIDER:

Resource	Potential for Impact	Potential Issues & Impacts
Air Air Quality	None	None
Biological Nonnative or Exotic Species	None	None
Biological Species of Special Concern or Their Habitat	None	None
Biological Vegetation	None	None
Biological Wildlife and/or Wildlife Habitat including terrestrial and aquatic species Animal Behavior, Food Conditioning	Potential	Issue: Wildlife, especially bears, may become food conditioned if they have access to human food and refuse. Impact: Staff must ensure that the restroom doors and windows are properly closed and that trash is securely stored inside the facility to prevent wildlife becoming food conditioned.

Potential	Potential Issues & Impacts
for Impact	
Potential	Issue: The project involves minor soil disturbance associated with leveling of the proposed trailer site. Impact: No known archeological sites are in the project site. Impacts to Crane Flat Archeological District are not anticipated.
None	None
Potential	Issue: The park consults with traditionally associated American Indian Tribes to identify ethnographic sites, or resources with religious and cultural significance. Impact: No ethnographic or resources with religious and cultural significance have been identified in the project area.
None	None
See next column	Issue: The proposed trailer location is visible from residence 8008, a building potentially eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Impact: The trailer is temporary in nature and will be painted Wosky brown to blend with the surrounding buildings. The area proposed for the trailer's placement has been used recently as an administrative storage area and park managers feel this that the trailer's placement would not detract from the view from residence 8008. For these reasons, the park's cultural resources managers have assessed the project has having no adverse effects to historic properties in the built environment.
None	None
None	None
Potential	Issue: The temporary trailer is a new structure with potential new lighting. Impact: The trailer will conform with the park lighting guidelines and will not have lights that are on continuously at night.
Potential	Issue: The installation of the temporary restroom trailer would provide dedicated handwashing and restroom facilities for law enforcement staff that currently lack decent access to these facilities.
	None See next column None Potential

Resource	Potential for Impact	Potential Issues & Impacts
Other Operational NPS law enforcement operations	Potential	Issue: The project would improve facilities available to Mather District law enforcement staff, who presently need to drive long distances to access flush toilet and hand washing facilities and face much visitor interface/distraction when they use shared facilities with visitors. Impact: The project would improve operations for the Mather District law enforcement staff.
Other	None	None
Paleontological Paleontological Resources	None	None
Socioeconomic Land Use	None	None
Socioeconomic Minority and low- income populations, size, migration patterns, etc.	None	None
Socioeconomic	None	None
Soundscapes	None	None
Viewsheds Visual Impacts to Historic Structures	Potential	Issue: The temporary trailer would be visible from residence 8008. Impact: The trailer would be painted Wosky Brown to blend with the surrounding buildings and minimize its impact. The trailer would be temporary in nature and would not adversely impact the historic structures.
Visitor Use and Experience Recreation Resources	None	None
Visitor Use and Experience	None	None
Water Floodplains	None	None
Water Marine or Estuarine Resources	None	None
Water Water Quality or Quantity	None	None

Resource	Potential for Impact	Potential Issues & Impacts
Water Wetlands	None	None
Water Wild and Scenic River	None	None
Wilderness	None	None



ASSESSMENT OF ACTIONS HAVING AN EFFECT ON HISTORIC PROPERTIES

A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

1. Park: Yosemite National Park

2. Project Description:

Project Name: Temporary Restroom Trailer for NPS Protection Staff at Crane Flat

Prepared by: Ninette Daniele Date Prepared: 12/08/2020 Telephone: (209) 379-1457

PEPC Project Number: 98624

Locations:

County, State: Mariposa, CA

Describe project:

See Categorical Exclusion form

Area of potential effects (as defined in 36 CFR 800.16[d])

The APE includes the vicinity of the Tucker Shed, and includes building 8008 due to being visible from this historic building. The vertical APE would not disturb surface soils deeper than 16 inches below grade.

- 3. Has the area of potential effects been surveyed to identify historic properties? Yes
- 4. Potentially Affected Resource(s):

Archeological Resources Present: No

Archeological Resources Notes: Archeological inventory has been completed in this located and no sites are present.

Historical Structures/Resources Present: Yes

Historical Structures/Resources Notes: The proposed area for trailer placement is visible from residence 8008, which is a historic building. It has not been evaluated for eligibility for listing on the NRHP; for 106 purposes we are assuming the building is eligible.

Cultural Landscapes Present: No

Ethnographic Resources Present: Yes

Ethnographic Resources Notes: The project has been included on the December 2020 project spreadsheet shared with the traditionally associated American Indian tribes; it was included for 30-day review.

5. The proposed action will: (check as many as apply)

Yes/No	The proposed action will	
No	Destroy, remove, or alter features/elements from a historic structure	
No	Replace historic features/elements in kind	
No	Add non-historic features/elements to a historic structure	
No	Alter or remove features/elements of a historic setting or environment (inc. terrain)	
Yes	Add non-historic features/elements (inc. visual, audible, or atmospheric) to a historic setting or cultural landscape	
No	Disturb, destroy, or make archeological resources inaccessible	
No	Disturb, destroy, or make ethnographic resources inaccessible>	
Yes	Potentially affect presently unidentified cultural resources	
No	Begin or contribute to deterioration of historic features, terrain, setting, landscape elements, or archeological or ethnographic resources	
No	Involve a real property transaction (exchange, sale, or lease of land or structures)	
No	Other (please specify):	

6. Supporting Study Data:

(Attach if feasible; if action is in a plan, EA or EIS, give name and project or page number.)

B. REVIEWS BY CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALISTS

The park 106 coordinator requested review by the park's cultural resource specialist/advisors as indicated by check-off boxes or as follows:

[X] 106 Advisor
Name: Hope Schear
Date: 08/11/2021
Comments: Compliance complete. SHPO concurrence received August 4, 2021. No response received from interested tribes.
Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []
Assessment of Effect:No Potential to Cause EffectNo Historic Properties AffectedX_No Adverse Effect Adverse Effect Streamlined Review
Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:
Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process
[X] Anthropologist
Name: Wesley Wills
D + 10/00/0000

Date: 12/08/2020 **Comments:** The Crane Flat area, especially meadows and archeological sites, has been previously identified by tribal partners as an area of concern. The project was included on the December 2020 tribal project spreadsheet, including a request to identify any properties of traditional religious and cultural significance.

UPDATE when review period closes: No comments or concerns were received.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []	
Assessment of Effect:No Potential to Cause EffectNo Historic Properties Affected	X No
Adverse EffectAdverse EffectStreamlined Review	
Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:	

Doc Method: Standard 4-Step Process [X] Archeologist Name: Wesley Wills **Date:** 12/08/2020 **Comments:** The project area is adjacent to the Crane Flat Archeological District, which is located approximately 25 meters to the south. The project area has been archeologically surveyed in 1974, 1984, and 2020 and no archeological sites have been identified Check if project does not involve ground disturbance [] ___No Historic Properties Affected **Assessment of Effect:** No Potential to Cause Effect X No __Adverse Effect ___Streamlined Review Adverse Effect **Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: Doc Method:** Standard 4-Step Process [X] Historical Architect Name: Sueann Brown Date: 12/15/2020 Comments: This proposal would locate a trailer adjacent to two potentially historic structures, a duplex and a garage both constructed in 1940. These should be evaluated for national register eligibility. Installing a trailer will have a negative impact on the setting of these structures. Other alternatives should be considered. One option might be either a stick built or modular rest room installed within one of the bays of the garage. That would be less intrusive and probably more cost effective than what is currently proposed. Check if project does not involve ground disturbance **Assessment of Effect:** ___No Potential to Cause Effect X No ___No Historic Properties Affected Adverse Effect Adverse Effect __Streamlined Review Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: While a temporary trailer may not rise to the level of adverse effect, other alternatives should be considered, as noted in comments above. [X] Historical Landscape Architect Name: Vida Germano **Date:** 12/15/2020 **Comments:** There are no cultural landscapes within the APE. Check if project does not involve ground disturbance **Assessment of Effect:** ___No Potential to Cause Effect ___No Historic Properties Affected ___Adverse Effect Streamlined Review Adverse Effect **Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: Doc Method:** Standard 4-Step Process

No Reviews From: Curator, Historian, Other Advisor

C. PARK SECTION 106 COORDINATOR'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Assessment of Effect:

Select with X	Assessment of Effect	
	No Potential to Cause Effects	
	No Historic Properties Affected	
X	No Adverse Effect	
	Adverse Effect	

2. Documentation Method:

[X] A. Standard 36 CFR Part 800 Consultation

Further consultation under 36 CFR Part 800 is needed.

[] B. Streamlined Review Under the 2008 Servicewide Programmatic Agreement (PA)

The above action meets all conditions for a streamlined review under section III of the 2008 Servicewide PA for Section 106 compliance.

Applicable Streamlined Review Criteria

(Specify 1-16 of the list of streamlined review criteria.)

[] C. Undertaking Related to Park Specific or Another Agreement

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under another document such as a park, region or statewide agreement established in accord with 36 CFR 800.7 or 36 CFR 800.14.

D. Combined NEPA/NHPA Process

Process and documentation required for the preparation of an EA/FONSI or an EIS/ROD to comply with Section 106 is in accord with 36 CFR 800.8.c.

[] E. Memo to Project File

3. Consultation Information

SHPO Required: Yes SHPO Sent: Jun 11, 2021 SHPO Received: Aug 4, 2021

THPO Required: Yes THPO Sent: Dec 24, 2020

THPO Received:

SHPO/THPO Notes:

Advisory Council Participating: No

Advisory Council Notes:

Additional Consulting Parties: No

4. Stipulations and Conditions: Following are listed any stipulations or conditions necessary to ensure that the assessment of effect above is consistent with 36 CFR Part 800 criteria of effect or to avoid or reduce potential

adverse effects.

Trailer will be painted Wosky brown.

5. Mitigations/Treatment Measures: Measures to prevent or minimize loss or impairment of historic/prehistoric properties: (Remember that setting, location, and use may be relevant.)

Required Mitigations - For the proposed project actions to be within compliance requirements during construction and/or project implementation, the following mitigations must be adhered to:

- The restrooms shall not bear gender-specific markings; restrooms shall be gender neutral.
- All equipment must be thoroughly cleaned to minimize the introduction and movement of non-native plants (dirt, mud seeds or other potential contaminant attached to frame, tires, wheels, or other parts shall be thoroughly cleaned before moving work locations within the park). Re-clean equipment before returning to the project or staging area if it is removed from the general vicinity of the project or staging area.
- If previously unknown cultural resources are encountered, the project manager shall temporarily suspend work in the immediate area and contact the Cultural Resource Program Manager who will evaluate and determine appropriate action to protect resources, which could include consultation with appropriate parties (e.g., tribes, SHPO). Although not expected, should previously unknown American Indian burial sites be discovered, the Cultural Resource Program Manager will provide direction to follow provisions Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act requirements.
- Minor grading to level the trailer pad is approved; soil disturbance to not exceed 16 inches below grade.
- The trailer will be painted Wosky Brown to blend with its surroundings and minimize it's impacts to the view from historic buildings.
- Only action explicitly described in PEPC 98624 are approved for implementation. Changes to plans
 or project scope must undergo review and approval by the Environmental Compliance and Planning
 office.

6. Assessment of Effect Notes:

Hope Schear	Date:	March 14, 2022
L		
<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Cicely Muldoon	Date:	March 30, 2022
5	L Management Policies a commendations, stipulations	L Management Policies and Cultural Resommendations, stipulations, or condition



Other Compliance/Consultations Form

Park Name: Yosemite National Park PEPC Project Number: 98624

Project Title: Temporary Restroom Trailer for NPS Protection Staff at Crane Flat

Project Type: Other Administrative Activities: Protection staff facilities

County, State: Mariposa, CA

Project Leader: Alexander Van Vechten

ESA

Any Federal Species in the project Area? Yes

If species in area: No Effect

Was Biological Assessment prepared? Yes If Biological Assessment prepared, concurred?

Formal Consultation required? No

Formal Consultation Notes:

We have a BO in place with USFWS for the fisher. This project will have no effect, as long as

mitigations are followed.

Formal Consultation Concluded:

Any State listed Species in the Project Area? Yes

Consultation Information:

this project will have no effect.

General Notes:

Data Entered by: Heather Mackey **Date:** December 7, 2020

ESA Mitigations

No ESA mitigations are associated with this project.

Floodplains/Wetlands/§404 Permits

Question	Yes/No	Details
A.1. Is project in 100- or 500-year floodplain or flash flood hazard area?	No	Not in floodplain or flash flood hazard area.
A.2. Is Project in wetlands as defined by NPS/DOI?	No	Not in wetland as defined by NPS/DOI.
B. COE Section 404 permit needed?	No	No placement of fill in waters of the United States.
C. State 401 certification?	No	None
D. State Section 401 Permit?	No	Issue Date: Expiration Date:

Question	Yes/No	Details
E. Tribal Water Quality Permit?	No	None
F. CZM Consistency determination needed?	N/A	N/A
G. Erosion & Sediment Control Plan Required?	No	None
H. Any other permits required?	No	Permit Information:
Other Information:	No	None

Data Entered by: Nicole Turner Date: July 8, 2021

Floodplains & Wetlands Mitigations

No Floodplains & Wetlands mitigations are associated with this project.

Wilderness

Question	Yes/No	Details
A. Does this project occur in or adjacent to Designated, Recommended, Proposed, Study, Eligible, or Potential Wilderness?	No	None
B. Is the only place to conduct this project in wilderness?	No	None
C. Is the project necessary for the administration of the area as wilderness?	No	None
D. Would the project or any of its alternatives adversely affect (directly or indirectly) Designated, Recommended, Proposed, Study, Eligible, or Potential Wilderness? (If Yes, Minimum Requirements Analysis required)	No	None
E. Does the project or any of its alternatives involve the use of any of the Wilderness Act Section 4(c) prohibited uses: commercial enterprise, permanent road, temporary road, motor vehicles, motorized equipment, motorboats, landing of aircraft, mechanical transport, structure, or installation? (If Yes, Minimum Requirements Analysis required)	No	None
If the answer to D or E above is "Yes" then a Minimum Requirements Analysis is required. Describe the status of this analysis in the column to the right.	N/A	Initiation Date: Completed Date: Approved Date:
Other Information:	No	None

Data Entered by: Nicole Turner Date: July 8, 2021

Other Permits/Laws Questions A & B are no longer used.

Question	Yes/No
C. Wild and scenic river concerns exist?	No
D. National Trails concerns exist?	No
E. Air Quality consult with State needed?	No

F. Consistent with Architectural Barriers, Rehabilitation, and Americans with Disabilities Acts or not Applicable? (If N/A check Yes)	No
G. Other:	No

Other Information:

Data Entered by: Nicole Turner **Date:** July 8, 2021