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Yosemite National Park
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Memorandum

To: Ed Dunlavey

From: Acting Superintendent, Yosemite National Park

Subject: NEPA and NHPA Clearance: 2008-035 Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Security Camera Installation (21208)

The Management Team has reviewed the proposed project/action and completed its environmental assessment documentation, and we have determined that there:

- Will not be any effect on threatened, endangered, or rare species and/or their critical habitat.
- Will not be any effect on historical, cultural, or archeological resources.
- Will not be serious or long-term undesirable environmental or visual effects.

The subject proposed project, therefore, is now cleared for all NEPA and Section 106 compliance requirements as presented above. Project plans and specifications are approved and construction and/or project implementation can commence.

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

- No mitigations identified.

//David V. Uberuaga//
David V. Uberuaga

Enclosure (with attachments)

cc: Statutory Compliance File

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Environmental Planning and Compliance Office in
Yosemite National Park.*



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Categorical Exclusion Form

Project: 2008-035 Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Security Camera Installation

PIN: 21208

Date: March 22, 2010

Project Description: There are currently four non functioning security cameras mounted on the eaves of the Hetch Hetchy entrance station kiosk. This project will replace the existing cameras with new cameras to be mounted on or near the Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Kiosk in such a manner as to capture automobile license plate numbers, make, model and color of vehicle as they enter or exit the park. Cameras will be painted and mounted in such a way as to blend in with the building or surrounding environment. The new cameras will provide the capability to transmit data to a central computer through wire or wireless technology. Data collected may be encrypted and will be stored in a secure facility with limited access to authorized personnel only. Transmission and maintenance of collected data to remote locations will be in accordance with established policy and procedures in order to maintain data security. In the absence of wireless technology the new cameras can be wired directly into the central computer, existing conduit already in place under the road would be utilized. Existing conduit taking utility lines from the roadside to the ranger station also exists and may accommodate the additional camera wires. If the existing conduit cannot accommodate these wires then an additional trench (approximately 133 feet) may need to be dug. This project would add an element of safety to the fee operations and will release all staff in recording vehicle license numbers, make, model, and color of vehicles. It would allow Rangers to have more time to interact with visitors in one on one contacts and provide for overall greater security of the Hetch Hetchy area. This project will become the basis for future projects to expand from; therefore the procurement of equipment will be coordinated through the telecommunication staff. Efforts will be made to purchase non-proprietary equipment which will allow for greater flexibility when expanding or adding to the system.

Project Locations:

Tuolumne County, CA

Mitigations:

- No mitigations identified.

Describe the category used to exclude action from further NEPA analysis and indicate the number of the category (see Section 3-4 of DO-12):

C.16. Installation of underground utilities in areas showing clear evidence of recent human disturbance or areas within an existing road prism or within an existing overhead utility right-of-way.

On the basis of the environmental impact information in the statutory compliance file, with which I am familiar, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No exceptional circumstances (e.g. all boxes in the ESF are marked "no") or conditions in Section 3-6 apply, and the action is fully described in Section 3-4 of DO-12.

//David V. Uberuaga//

Acting Park Superintendent

2/20/09

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF) DO-12 APPENDIX 1

Updated May 2007 - per 2004 DM revisions and proposed DO-12 changes

Today's Date: **January 29, 2009**

Date Form Initiated: **01/23/2009**

A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Park Name: **Yosemite NP**

Project Title: **2008-035 Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Security Camera Installation**

PEPC Project Number: **21208**

Project Type: **Security System Upgrade (OTHER)**

Project Location: County, State: **Tuolumne, California** District: **Hetchy**

Project Leader: **Ed Dunlavey**

B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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Preliminary drawings attached? **Yes**

Is project a hot topic (controversial or sensitive issues that should be brought to attention of Regional Director)? **No**

C. RESOURCE EFFECTS TO CONSIDER:

Identify potential effects to the following physical, natural, or cultural resources	No Effect	Negligible Effects	Minor Effects	Exceeds Minor Effects	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1. Geologic resources – soils, bedrock, streambeds, etc.		X			Trenching would include 133' long x 1' wide x 6" deep.
2. From geohazards	X				
3. Air quality	X				
4. Soundscapes	X				
5. Water quality or quantity	X				
6. Streamflow characteristics	X				
7. Marine or estuarine resources	X				
8. Floodplains or wetlands	X				
9. Land use, including occupancy, income, values, ownership, type of use	X				
10. Rare or unusual vegetation – old growth timber, riparian, alpine	X				
11. Species of special concern (plant or animal; state or federal listed or proposed for listing) or their habitat	X				
12. Unique ecosystems, biosphere reserves, World Heritage Sites	X				
13. Unique or important wildlife or wildlife habitat	X				
14. Unique or important fish or fish habitat	X				
15. Introduce or promote non-native species (plant or animal)	X				
16. Recreation resources, including supply, demand, visitation, activities, etc.	X				
17. Visitor experience, aesthetic resources	X				
18. Archeological resources	X				No historic properties affected.

19. Prehistoric/historic structure	X				
20. Cultural landscapes		X			Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station.
21. Ethnographic resources	X				
22. Museum collections (objects, specimens, and archival and manuscript collections)	X				
23. Socioeconomics, including employment, occupation, income changes, tax base, infrastructure	X				
24. Minority and low income populations, ethnography, size, migration patterns, etc.	X				
25. Energy resources	X				
26. Other agency or tribal land use plans or policies	X				
27. Resource, including energy, conservation potential, sustainability	X				
28. Urban quality, gateway communities, etc.	X				
29. Long-term management of resources or land/resource productivity	X				
30. Other important environment resources (e.g. geothermal, paleontological resources)?	X				

Comments:

D. MANDATORY CRITERIA

Mandatory Criteria: If implemented, would the proposal:	Yes	No	N/A	Comment or Data Needed to Determine
A. Have significant impacts on public health or safety?		X		
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		X		

<p>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?</p>				
<p>C. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA section 102(2)(E))?</p>		X		
<p>D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?</p>		X		
<p>E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?</p>		X		
<p>F. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?</p>		X		
<p>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?</p>		X		
<p>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?</p>		X		
<p>I. Violate a federal law, or a state, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?</p>		X		
<p>J. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898)?</p>		X		
<p>K. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or significantly adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (Executive Order 13007)?</p>		X		
<p>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</p>		X		

expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?				
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For the purpose of interpreting these procedures within the NPS, any action that has the potential to violate the NPS Organic Act by impairing park resources or values would constitute an action that triggers the DOI exception for actions that threaten to violate a federal law for protection of the environment.

E. OTHER INFORMATION

Are personnel preparing this form familiar with the site? **Yes**

Did personnel conduct a site visit? **No**

Is the project in an approved plan such as a General Management Plan or an Implementation Plan with an accompanying NEPA document? **No**

Are there any interested or affected agencies or parties? **No**

Has consultation with all affected agencies or tribes been completed? **No**

Are there any connected, cumulative, or similar actions as part of the proposed action? (e.g., other development projects in area or identified in GMP, adequate/available utilities to accomplish project)? **No**

F. INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM SIGNATORIES

All interdisciplinary team members sign as directed or deemed necessary by the Superintendent. By signing this form, you affirm the following: you have either completed a site visit or are familiar with the specifics of the site; you have consulted with affected agencies and tribes; and you, to the best of your knowledge, have answered the questions posed in the checklist correctly.

<u>Interdisciplinary Team</u>	<u>Field of Expertise</u>
David V. Uberuaga	Acting Superintendent
Larry Harris	Acting Deputy Superintendent
Linda Dahl	Chief of Planning
Mark Butler	Acting Chief of Project Management
Lorene Schafer	Acting Chief of Administration Management
Dennis Mattiuzzi	Chief of Facilities Management
Niki Nicholas	Chief of Resources Management & Science
Marty Nielson	Chief of Business and Revenue Management
Tom Medema	Acting Chief of Interpretation and Education
Steve Shackelton	Chief Ranger
Bill Rust	Project Leader
Teri Tucker	Acting Environmental Planning and Compliance
	Program Manager
Jeannette Simons	NHPA Specialist
Renea Kennec	NEPA Specialist

G. SUPERVISORY SIGNATORY

Based on the environmental impact information contained in the statutory compliance file and in this environmental screening form, environmental documentation for this stage of the subject project is complete.

Recommended:

Compliance Specialist	Date
<u>//Renea Kennec//</u> Compliance Specialist – Renea Kennec	<u>2/2/09</u>
<u>//Teri Tucker//</u> Acting Compliance Program Manager – Teri Tucker	<u>2/2/09</u>
<u>//Mark A Butler//</u> Acting Chief, Project Management – Mark Butler	<u>2/18/09</u>

Approved:

Acting Superintendent	Date
<u>//David V. Uberuaga//</u> David V. Uberuaga	<u>2/20/09</u>

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PARK ESF ADDENDUM

Today's Date: **January 29, 2009**

PROJECT INFORMATION

Park Name: Yosemite NP

Project Number: 21208

Project Type: Security System Upgrade (OTHER)

Project Location: County, State: Tuolumne, California District: Hetch Hetchy

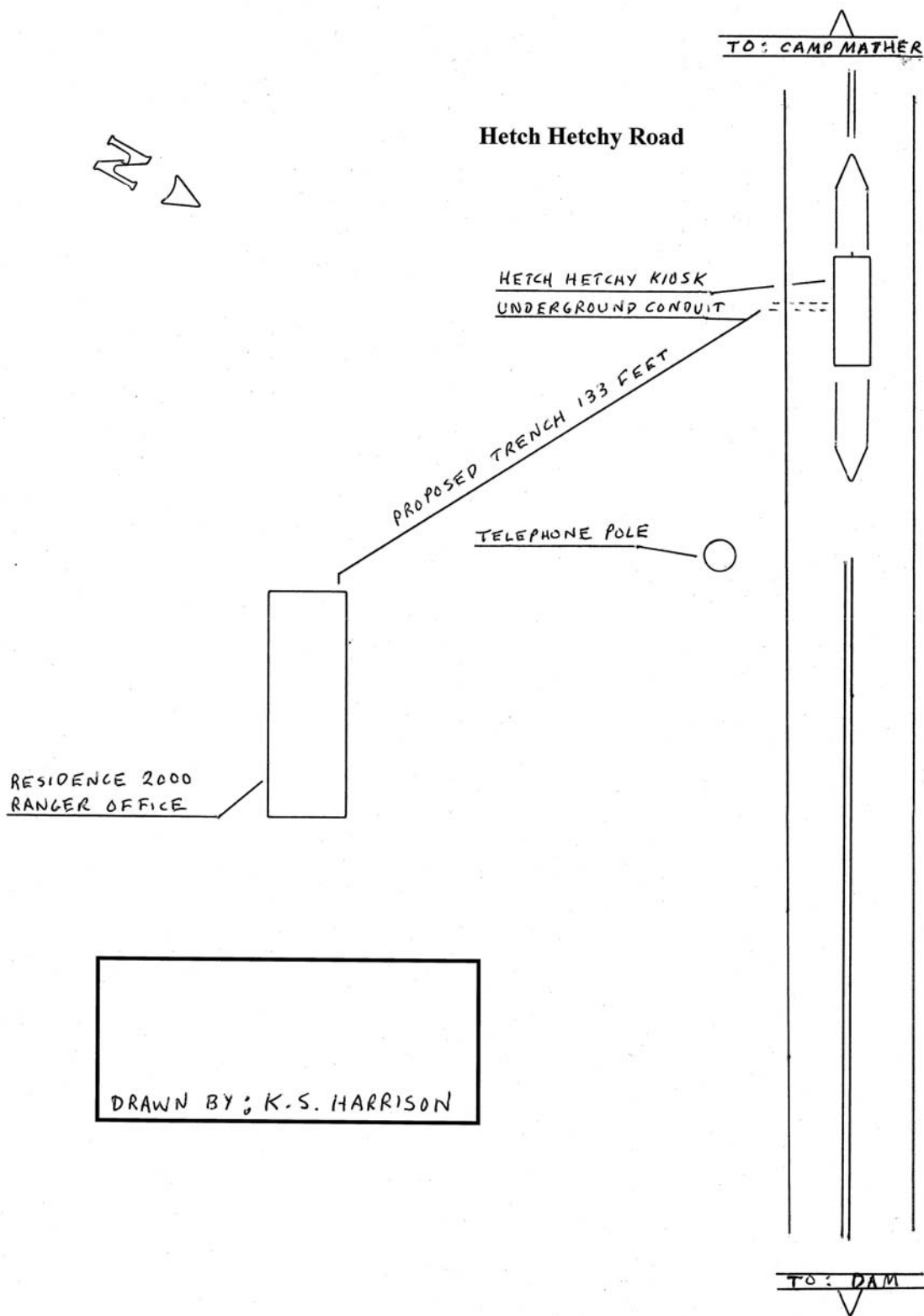
Project Manager: Ed Dunlavey

Project Title: 2008-035 Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Security Camera Installation

PARK ESF ADDENDUM QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

ESF Addendum Questions	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
1.SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES CHECKLIST				
2. Listed or proposed threatened or endangered species (Federal or State)?		X		
3. Species of special concern (Federal or State)?		X		
4. Park rare plants or vegetation?		X		
5. Potential habitat for any special-status species listed above?		X		
6.NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT CHECKLIST				
7. Entail ground disturbance?	X			Trenching would include 133' long x 1' wide x 6" deep. The assessment of effect is "No historic properties affected."
8. Are any archeological or ethnographic sites located within the area of potential effect?		X		
9. Entail alteration of a historic structure or cultural landscape?	X			Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station; the assessment of effect is "No Adverse Effect."
10. Has a National Register form been completed?		X		
11. Are there any structures on the park's List of Classified Structures in the area of potential effect?		X		
12.WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT CHECKLIST				
13. Fall within a wild and scenic river corridor?		X		
14. Fall within the bed and banks AND will affect the free-flow of the river?		X		
15. Have the possibility of affecting water quality of the area?		X		

16. Remain consistent with its river segment classification?			X	
17. Protect and enhance river ORVs?			X	
18. Fall within the River Protection Overlay?		X		
19. If Yes, remain consistent with conditions of the River Protection Overlay?			X	
20. Remain consistent with the areas Management Zoning?			X	
21. Fall on a tributary of a Wild and Scenic River?		X		
22. Will the project encroach or intrude upon the Wild and Scenic River corridor?		X		
23. Will the project unreasonably diminish scenic, recreational, or fish and wildlife values?		X		
100. WILDERNESS ACT CHECKLIST				
101. Within designated Wilderness?		X		
102. Within a Potential Wilderness Addition?		X		





Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Kiosk



Ranger Office



Proposed Trench

Telephone pole
where cameras will
be mounted.



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ASSESSMENT OF ACTIONS HAVING AN EFFECT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES

A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

1. Park: Yosemite NP Park District: Hetch Hetchy

2. **Project Description:**

a. Project Name: 2008-035 Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station Security Camera Installation Date: January 27, 2009 Park Project Number: 21208

b. Describe project and area of potential effects (as defined in 36 CFR 800.2[c]).

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3. Has the area of potential effects been surveyed to identify cultural resources?

☐ No

☒ Yes Source or reference Hetch Hetchy Entrance Station CLI; YOSE 1988I

☒ Check here if no known cultural resources will be affected. (If this is because area has been disturbed, please explain or attach additional information to show the disturbance was so extensive as to preclude intact cultural deposits.)

4. Potentially Affected Resource(s): None

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

☐ Destroy, remove, or alter features/elements from a historic structure

☐ Replace historic features/elements in kind

☐ Add non-historic features/elements to a historic structure

☐ Alter or remove features/elements of a historic setting or environment (inc. terrain)

☐ Add non-historic features/elements (inc. visual, audible, or atmospheric) to a historic setting or cultural landscape

☐ Disturb, destroy, or make archeological resources inaccessible

☐ Disturb, destroy, or make ethnographic resources inaccessible

☐ Potentially affect presently unidentified cultural resources

☐ Begin or contribute to deterioration of historic features, terrain, setting, landscape elements, or archeological or ethnographic resources

☐ Involve a real property transaction (exchange, sale, or lease of land or structures)

☐ Other (please specify)

6. Measures to prevent or minimize loss or impairment of historic/prehistoric properties:

(Remember that setting, location, and use may be relevant.)

- No Assessment of Effect mitigations identified.

7. Supporting Study Data:

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

8. Attachments: ☐ Maps ☐ Archeological survey, if applicable ☐ Drawings ☐ Specifications

☐ Photographs ☐ Scope of Work ☐ Site plan ☐ List of Materials ☐ Samples

☐ Other _____

Prepared by: Jeannette Simons Date: 1/27/09

Title: Historic Preservation Officer Telephone: 209-379-1372

B. REVIEWS BY CULTURAL RESOURCE SPECIALISTS

[X] ARCHEOLOGIST

Name: Laura Kirn

Date: 01/22/2009

Comments: YOSE 1999 PA, Stipulation VII.C.2.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: X No Historic Properties Affected ___ No Adverse Effect ___ Adverse Effect
___ Programmatic Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

[] CURATOR

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance [] Assessment of Effect: _____ No Historic
Properties Affected _____ No Adverse Effect _____ Adverse Effect _____ Programmatic
Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

[X] ANTHROPOLOGIST

Name: Jeannette Simons

Date: 01/27/2009

Comments: American Indian Liaison

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: X No Historic Properties Affected ___ No Adverse Effect ___ Adverse Effect
___ Programmatic Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

[] HISTORIAN

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance [] Assessment of Effect: _____ No Historic
Properties Affected _____ No Adverse Effect _____ Adverse Effect _____ Programmatic
Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

[X] HISTORICAL ARCHITECT

Name: Sueann Brown

Date: 04/25/2008

Comments: none

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ___ No Historic Properties Affected X No Adverse Effect ___ Adverse Effect
___ Programmatic Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: None

[X] HISTORICAL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT

Name: David Humphrey

Date: 04/24/2008

Comments: None.

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance []

Assessment of Effect: ___ No Historic Properties Affected X No Adverse Effect ___ Adverse Effect
___ Programmatic Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations: None.

[] 106 Advisor

Name:

Date:

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance [] Assessment of Effect: _____ No Historic
Properties Affected _____ No Adverse Effect _____ Adverse Effect _____ Programmatic
Exclusion

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

C. PARK SECTION 106 COORDINATOR'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Assessment of Effect:

_____ No Historic Properties Affected X No Adverse Effect _____ Adverse Effect

2. Compliance requirements:

[] A. STANDARD 36 CFR PART 800 CONSULTATION

Further consultation under 36 CFR Part 800 is needed.

[] B. PROGRAMMATIC EXCLUSION UNDER THE 1995 SERVICEWIDE PROGRAMMATIC
AGREEMENT (PA)

The above action meets all conditions for a programmatic exclusion under Stipulation IV of the 1995 Servicewide PA for Section 106 compliance.

APPLICABLE EXCLUSION: Exclusion IV. B
(Specify 1-13 or IV.C addition to the list of exclusions.)

☐ C. PLAN-RELATED UNDERTAKING

Consultation and review of the proposed undertaking were completed in the context of a plan review process, in accordance with the 1995 Servicewide PA and 36 CFR Part 800.
Specify plan/EA/EIS: _____

☒ D. UNDERTAKING RELATED TO ANOTHER AGREEMENT

The proposed undertaking is covered for Section 106 purposes under another document such as a statewide agreement established in accord with 36 CFR 800.7 or counterpart regulations.
Specify: 1999 PA

☐ E. COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS SATISFIED BY USE OF NEPA

Documentation is required for the preparation of an EA/FONSI or an EIS/ROD has been developed and used so as also to meet the requirements of 36 CFR 800.3 through 800.6

☐ F. STIPULATIONS/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.

Recommended by Park Section 106 coordinator:

Signature of Historic Preservation Officer //Jeannette Simons//

Date 2/2/09

D. SUPERINTENDENT'S APPROVAL

The proposed work conforms to the NPS *Management Policies* and *Cultural Resource Management Guideline*, and I have reviewed and approve the recommendations, stipulations, or conditions noted in Section C of this form.

Signature of Acting Superintendent //David V. Uberuaga//

Date 2/20/09

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Yosemite National Park.*

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