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Yosemite National Park
P. O. Box 577
Yosemite, California 95389

Memorandum

To: Linda Niles-Sheetz, Project Manager, Yosemite National Park

From: Superintendent, Yosemite National Park

Subject: NEPA and NHPA: 2010-045 Wawona Hotel, Replace Outdoor Refrigeration Unit (30989)

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

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

- No mitigations identified.

//Don L. Neubacher//
Don L. Neubacher

Enclosure (with attachments)

cc: Statutory Compliance File

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Categorical Exclusion Form

Project: Wawona Hotel, Replace Outdoor Refrigeration Unit

PEPC Project Number: 30989

Project Description: The concessioner proposes to replace the Wawona Hotel's outdoor walk-in refrigerator with a new, dual purpose refrigerator/freezer. The existing unit is located at the entrance to the dining-room kitchen from the back dock on the west side of the main hotel. The existing unit is approximately 25-feet-long by 10-feet-high and stands on concrete posts. It is shielded from view with a lattice fence and a tree. The proposed new refrigeration/freezer is 28-feet-long, 8-feet-wide, and 7.7-feet-high. It would be placed in the same location on concrete footings.

Justification: The Wawona Hotel lacks walk-in freezer space, making it difficult to provide efficient food and beverage operations. The new unit, while slightly longer, is more energy efficient, quieter, and meets operational needs more fully.

Special Considerations: The Wawona Hotel is part of a cultural landscape, and the historic character of the landscape should be maintained. While the outdoor refrigeration unit detracts from the historic setting, replacing it with a new unit would not result in any additional impact to the landscape. The new unit is not a permanent structure; it can be easily moved.

Operational Concerns: Because the refrigerator would need to be disconnected and removed before the new unit is fully installed and functional, the concessioner prefers installation during a seasonal shut down to avoid having to store the food and beverage inventory elsewhere. If it's necessary to install the new unit during operations, the concessioner would manage the inventory to maintain all food and sanitation requirements.

Scope of Work:

1. Procure and acquire new refrigerator/freezer, and place on site
2. Disconnect old refrigerator
3. Store food and beverage inventory elsewhere, if necessary
4. Remove lattice fencing that leans against refrigerator
5. Load old refrigerator onto trailer and remove
6. Discard refrigerator: resell as-is, recycle, or sell for scrap
7. Reset and level concrete piers, and add additional piers to fully support new unit
8. Install new unit on footings
9. Paint Wosky brown or Wawona green to blend into landscape.
10. Connect new unit to utility lines.
11. Replace lattice to screen view of the unit from visitor areas.

Project Location:

- Mariposa County, California

Mitigation:

- 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.4 Routine maintenance and repairs to cultural resource sites, structures, utilities and grounds under an approved Historic Structures Preservation Guide or Cyclic Maintenance Guide; or if the action would not adversely affect the cultural resource.

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 or conditions in Section 3-6 apply, and the action is fully described in Section 3-4 of DO-12.

Park Superintendent //Don L. Neubacher//

Date 7/22/10

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Yosemite National Park
Date: 07/15/2010

ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF)

DO-12 APPENDIX 1

Date Form Initiated: 07/15/2010

Updated May 2007 - per 2004 Departmental Manual revisions and proposed Director's Order 12 changes

A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Park Name: Yosemite National Park
Project Title: 2010-045 Wawona Hotel, Replace Outdoor Refrigeration Unit
PEPC Project Number: 30989
Project Type: Replace substandard refrigeration unit (OTHER)
Project Location: County, State: Mariposa, California Other: Wawona
Project Leader: Linda Niles-Sheetz

Preliminary drawings attached? Yes

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

B. 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.	No				
2. From geohazards	No				
3. Air quality	No				
4. Soundscapes	No				An efficient refrigeration system will run quieter.
5. Water quality or quantity	No				
6. Streamflow characteristics	No				
7. Marine or estuarine resources	No				
8. Floodplains or wetlands	No				
9. Land use, including occupancy, income, values, ownership, type of use	No				

10. Rare or unusual vegetation – old growth timber, riparian, alpine	No				
11. Species of special concern (plant or animal; state or federal listed or proposed for listing) or their habitat	No				
12. Unique ecosystems, biosphere reserves, World Heritage Sites	No				Yosemite National Park is a World Heritage Site.
13. Unique or important wildlife or wildlife habitat	No				
14. Unique or important fish or fish habitat	No				
15. Introduce or promote non-native species (plant or animal)	No				
16. Recreation resources, including supply, demand, visitation, activities, etc.	No				
17. Visitor experience, aesthetic resources	No				
18. Archeological resources	No				
19. Prehistoric/historic structure		Negligible			The Wawona Hotel is a National Historic Landmark; this project will not adversely affect the hotel.
20. Cultural landscapes		Negligible			Wawona Historic District.
21. Ethnographic resources	No				
22. Museum collections (objects, specimens, and archival and manuscript collections)	No				
23. Socioeconomics, including employment, occupation, income changes, tax base, infrastructure	No				
24. Minority and low income populations, ethnography, size, migration patterns, etc.	No				
25. Energy resources	No				
26. Other agency or tribal land use plans or policies	No				
27. Resource, including energy, conservation potential, sustainability	No				
28. Urban quality, gateway communities, etc.	No				

29. Long-term management of resources or land/resource productivity	No				
30. Other important environment resources (e.g. geothermal, paleontological resources)?	No				

C. 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?		No		
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		
C. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA section 102(2)(E))?		No		
D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?		No		
E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?		No		
F. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?		No		
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		
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		

I. Violate a federal law, or a state, local, or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?		No		
J. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (Executive Order 12898)?		No		
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)?		No		
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		

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.

D. 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

E. INTERDISCIPLINARY TEAM SIGNATORIES

<u>Interdisciplinary Team</u>	<u>Field of Expertise</u>
Don L. Neubacher	Superintendent
Kathleen Morse	Chief of Planning
Mark Butler	Chief of Project Management
Katariina Tuovinen	Chief of Administration Management
Ed Walls	Chief of Facilities Management
Niki Nicholas	Chief of Resources Management & Science
Marty Nielson	Chief of Business and Revenue Management
Tom Medema	Chief of Interpretation and Education
Charles Cuvelier	Chief of Visitor and Resource Protection
Linda Niles-Sheetz	Project Leader
Elexis Mayer	Environmental Planning and Compliance Program Manager
Jeannette Simons	NHPA Specialist
Renea Kennec	NEPA Specialist

H. SUPERVISORY SIGNATORY

Recommended:

Compliance Specialists	Date
 <u>//Renea Kennec//</u> Compliance Specialist – Renea Kennec	 <u>7/20/10</u>
 <u>//Elexis Mayer//</u> Compliance Program Manager – Elexis Mayer	 <u>7/20/10</u>
 <u>//Mark A. Butler//</u> Chief, Project Management – Mark Butler	 <u>7/20/10</u>

Approved:

Superintendent	Date
 <u>//Don L. Neubacher//</u> Don L. Neubacher	 <u>7/22/10</u>

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PARK ESF ADDENDUM

Today's Date: July 15, 2010

PROJECT INFORMATION

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PEPC Project Number: 30989
Project Type: Replace substandard refrigeration unit (OTHER)
Project Location: County, State: Mariposa, California Other: Wawona
Project Leader: Linda Niles-Sheetz

PARK ESF ADDENDUM QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

ESF Addendum Questions	Yes	No	N/A	Data Needed to Determine/Notes
SPECIAL STATUS SPECIES CHECKLIST				
1. Listed or proposed threatened or endangered species (Federal or State)?		No		
2. Species of special concern (Federal or State)?		No		
3. Park rare plants or vegetation?		No		
4. Potential habitat for any special-status species listed above?		No		
NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT CHECKLIST				
5. Entail ground disturbance?		No		
6. Are any archeological or ethnographic sites located within the area of potential effect?		No		
7. Entail alteration of a historic structure or cultural landscape?		No		The new unit will be placed in the same location as the existing unit.
8. Has a National Register form been completed?		No		
9. Are there any structures on the park's List of Classified Structures in the area of potential effect?	Yes			Wawona Hotel; the assessment of effect is "No Adverse Effect."

WILD AND SCENIC RIVERS ACT CHECKLIST

10. Fall within a wild and scenic river corridor?	Yes			Merced River.
11. Fall within the bed and banks AND will affect the free-flow of the river?		No		
12. Have the possibility of affecting water quality of the area?		No		
13. Remain consistent with its river segment classification?	Yes			
14. Fall on a tributary of a Wild and Scenic River?		No		
15. Will the project encroach or intrude upon the Wild and Scenic River corridor?		No		
16. Will the project unreasonably diminish scenic, recreational, or fish and wildlife values?		No		
17. Consistent with the provisions in the Merced River Plan Settlement Agreement?	Yes			

WILDERNESS ACT CHECKLIST

18. Within designated Wilderness?		No		
19. Within a Potential Wilderness Addition?		No		





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Quotation

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Customer	DELAWARE NORTH/SPORT/CA-1 SVCS
2475	ATTN: FACILITIES PROJECT MGMT
	40 FOUNTAIN PLAZA, 9TH FL
	BUFFALO, NY 14202
Attention	Joe Alfano
Project	Combination Walk-In
Item Number	
Rep Name	Advocate Marketing LLC
Rep Number	45
Sales Specialist	Scott Carter

Prepared by: _____

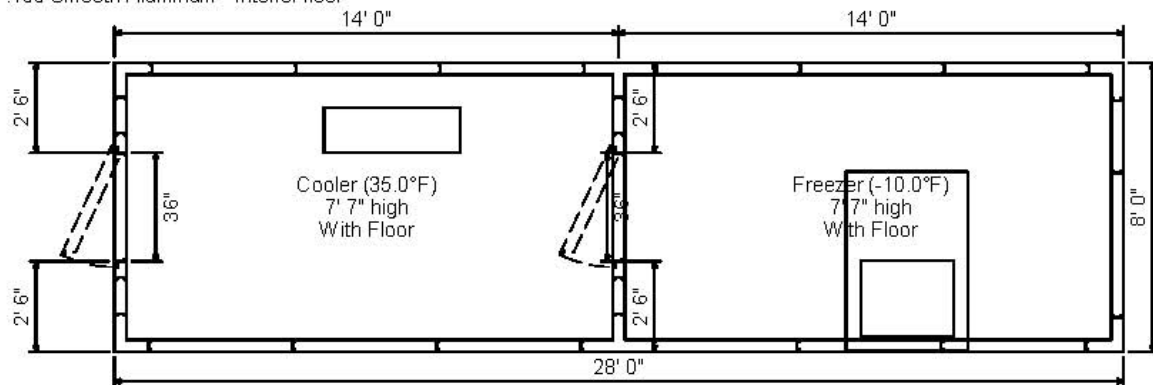
Nor-Lake is registered by UL to ISO 9001-2008. California State Contractor License #940932.

(1) Nor-Lake FAST-TRAK Walk-In Cooler/Freezer Combination (2 compartments)
28' 0" long, 8' 0" wide, 7' 7" high.

Finishes:

26 Gauge Corrosion Resistant Stucco Embossed Coated Steel - Interior wall, Exterior wall, Interior ceiling, Exterior ceiling,
Exterior floor

.100 Smooth Aluminum - Interior floor





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Outdoor Walk-In includes Flat White Membrane Roof With Trim – 45 Lbs /Sq. Ft. Ceiling Load Capacity Minimum . . .

(2) 36" X 78" Walk-In Door left-hand swing

Includes door closer, cam lift hinges (one spring loaded), NL9800 deadbolt key/padlock handle with inside release, magnetic gasket, heater wire, double sweep gasket, vapor proof light and NL508 combination digital thermometer and switch w/pilot light.

(2) 36" Door Locking Bar (Shipped Loose For Field Installation)

Construction Approvals: NSF Approved, UL Electrical and UL Flame Spread-25 in accordance with ASTM E-84.

To comply with the US Energy Independence & Security Act of 2007, all walk-in doors opening into the ambient (indoors or outdoors) are required to have a method for minimizing infiltration when the doors are open. All Nor-Lake walk-in doors will include a spring hinge to comply with this standard by 1-1-09, however, to further minimize infiltration, Nor-Lake recommends the use of a strip curtain or strip door for all exterior doors.

(1) NAWD150RL4-#BQ-10 35° F Operation, High Temperature, Air Cooled, R-404A "Off Cycle" Timer, Remote Fast-Trak UL Refrigeration System, Pre-Assembled, Pre-Piped And Pre-Charged With Quick-Connect Fittings And 10 Feet Of Pre-Charged Line Set, All Weather Hood And -20 Degree Ambient Controls, Welded Hermetic, Low Profile Unit Cooler, Meets CEC Requirements, 208/230-1-60 Electrical. Condensing Unit Rack Overall Size Is 26.25 Inches Wide, 35.75 Inches Long And 19 Inches High. Unit Cooler Overall Size Is 15 Inches Wide, 45.5 Inches Long And 15.25 Inches High. Condensing Unit, 208/230-1-60 Electrical Requirements Are 16.5 Minimum Circuit AMPS And 20 Maximum Fuse Size. Unit Cooler, 115-1-60 Electrical Requirements Are 2 Minimum Circuit AMPS And 15 Maximum Fuse Size. Total System Electrical Requirements Are 18.5 Minimum Circuit AMPS And 20 Maximum Fuse Size. 6.57 EER Rating. (system capacity 8829 BTU's/hour at 110.0°F ambient temperature.)

Calculated load for Cooler (35.0°F) is 7918 BTU's/hour calculated from 110 degree ambient temperature, and heavy usage. All calculations are based on data supplied by ASHRAE publications.

(1) CPF200DCO-A -10° F Operation, Capsule-Pak Refrigeration System, Outdoor Ceiling Mount Low Temperature, Defrost Timer, R-404A Refrigerant, 208/230-1-60 Electrical Which Meets CEC Requirements. System Overall Size Is 40.5 Inches Wide, 59.5 Inches Long and 22.875 Inches High. 11.7 Total System AMPS, 13.95 Minimum Circuit AMPS, 25 Maximum Fuse Size. 4.25 EER Rating (system capacity 6228 BTU's/hour at 110.0°F ambient temperature.)

Calculated load for Freezer (-10.0°F) is 5485 BTU's/hour calculated from 110 degree ambient temperature, and normal usage. All calculations are based on data supplied by ASHRAE publications.

(1) 150 To 151 Series - Optional Five Year Extended Compressor Warranty

(1) 18 Month Labor/Service Warranty

(1) 200 To 225 Series - Optional Five Year Extended Compressor Warranty

(1) 18 Month Labor/Service Warranty

Refrigeration is "sized" for holding product only; that is; our calculation is based on product entering at the same temperature as the desired temperature of this walk-in. If you feel that this is insufficient, please advise.

Quotation is subject to change upon receipt of detailed specifications and/or refrigeration load information.



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Yosemite National Park
Date: 07/15/2010

ASSESSMENT OF ACTIONS HAVING AN EFFECT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES

A. DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTAKING

1. **Park:** Yosemite National Park

2. **Project Description:**

a. **Project Name:** 2010-045, Wawona Hotel, Replace Outdoor Refrigeration Unit

b. **Date:** July 15, 2010

c. **PEPC Project ID Number:** 30989

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

 No

 X Yes, Source or reference: Wawona Hotel National Historic Landmark; Wawona Historic District.

 X 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 Resources:**

Cultural landscapes affected?

Name and number: Wawona Historic District (CLI/DOE in prep) Location: Wawona

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

 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

 No 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)

 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: Renea Kennec **Date:** July 15, 2010 **Title:** Environmental Protection Specialist **Telephone:** 209-379-1038

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:

☒ Archeologist

Name: Laura Kirn

Date: 05/07/2010

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance ☒

Assessment of Effect: X No Historic Properties Affected No Adverse Effect Adverse Effect Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: No Potential to Cause Effects [800.3(a)(1)]

☒ Historical Architect

Name: Sueann Brown

Date: 05/14/2010

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance ☐

Assessment of Effect: No Historic Properties Affected X No Adverse Effect Adverse Effect Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: Park Specific Programmatic Agreement

☒ Historical Landscape Architect

Name: David Humphrey

Date: 05/13/2010

Comments:

Check if project does not involve ground disturbance ☐

Assessment of Effect: ☐ No Historic Properties Affected ☒ No Adverse Effect ☐ Adverse Effect ☐ Streamlined Review

Recommendations for conditions or stipulations:

Doc Method: Park Specific Programmatic Agreement

No Reviews From: Curator, Historian, 106 Advisor, Other Advisor, Anthropologist

C. PARK SECTION 106 COORDINATOR'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Assessment of Effect:

☐ No Historic Properties Affected ☒ 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. 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. PLAN-RELATED UNDERTAKING

Consultation and review of the proposed undertaking were completed in the context of a plan review process, in accordance with the 2008 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: _____

☐ 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. No Potential to Cause Effects [800.3(a)(1)]

☐ G. 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: 7/22/10

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 Superintendent //Don L. Neubacher//

Date: 7/22/10

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