

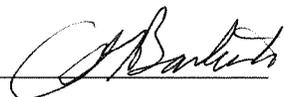
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SUBJECT: Environmental Compliance Reporting on Actions Funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Under Section 1609 for Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Projects.

TO: Ann Bartuska, Acting Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment

Approved:  Date: 4/29/08

FROM: Dave White, Chief, NRCS

Recommended:  Date: 4-29-09

This memorandum and attached reporting form fulfills NRCS' responsibility to report to the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) on actions and activities funded by ARRA. The information in the attached reporting form identifies the level of environmental compliance documentation prepared for all approved projects as of April 24, 2009, and denotes the number of approved projects with pending environmental compliance documentation. The reporting form is cumulative and includes information on approved projects since NRCS' last report on April 9, 2009.

NRCS has three programs funded through ARRA: Floodplain Easements, Watershed Operations, and Watershed Rehabilitation. NRCS has two treasury symbols for program funding; Floodplain Easements and Watershed Operations which share the same treasury symbol (Treasury Symbol: 12-1073).

As noted in our previous report, we have 27 projects approved for funding under the watershed rehabilitation program. Of the 27 approved projects, 13 have completed environmental documentation. Six projects have Environmental Assessments (EA), while the remaining seven have a State-wide Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PEIS) which is tiered to

using the Agency's environmental evaluation process. The completion date of the six EAs reflects the most recently issued Finding of No Significant Impact. For the seven other actions tiering to the State-wide PEIS, the citation for completion is the signature date of the Record of Decision.

NRCS has a funded 55 projects for the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention program. These projects will be focused on watershed operation improvements. The status of the environmental compliance documentation is noted on Page 2 on the reporting form. Please note that a few projects may have more than one NEPA action for watershed operations. For those projects with more than one NEPA action, NRCS aggregated the information and used the date of the latest decision-making document for the completion date.

Currently, no funding decisions have been made for the Floodplain Easement program which receives funding under the watershed and flood prevention treasury symbol. We will be reporting on total projects, obligations, and status of environmental compliance on these projects in future reports.

If you have any questions, please contact the National Environmental Coordinator, NRCS, at (202) 720-4925; or matt.harrington@wdc.usda.gov.

Attachment

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Department or Agency Name: USDA/ Natural Resources Conservation Service
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No.	Treasury Appropriation Fund Symbol	Title/Program	Total ARRA Appropriation for Projects and Activities	Number of ARRA Funded Projects / Activities	NEPA Not Applicable	Total Categorical Exclusion Actions	Total Environmental Assessment Actions	Total Environmental Impact Statement Actions	All NEPA Actions for the Recovery Act Funded Activity or Project	Number of projects withdrawn	Total Obligations for Projects and Activities
				Total 82	Total	Total CE Actions	Total EA Actions 56	Total EIS Actions 26	Total Actions 82	Total	
1	12-1073	Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	\$290,000,000	55			35	20	55		\$2,226,136
2	12-1142	Watershed Rehabilitation	\$50,000,000	27			21	6	27		\$528,778
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No.	Title/Program	Project/Activity Description	NEPA Action: Enter the number of NEPA actions with the same status (see instructions). Enter ce for Categorical Exclusion; ea for Environmental Assessment; or eis for Environmental Impact Statement.		NEPA Status: Enter pending, done, or withdrawn.	Number of Completed NEPA Actions for the Recovery Act Funded Activity or Project	Number of Pending NEPA Actions for the Recovery Act Funded Activity or Project	Date NEPA is Done (mm/dd/yyyy)	All federal environmental reviews and documents are completed	Leave These Columns Blank		
			TOTAL ACTIONS: 82							TOTAL COMPLETED: 60	TOTAL PENDING: 22	Total Yes 27
			Quantity	NEPA Action								
1	12-1142- Watershed Rehabilitation	Watershed Rehabilitation-Rehabilitation of Flood control structures	7	ea	done	7		10/1/2008	yes			
2	12-1142- Watershed Rehabilitation	Watershed Rehabilitation- Rehabilitation of Flood control structures	14	ea	pending		14					
3	12-1142- Watershed Rehabilitation	Watershed Rehabilitation- Rehabilitation of Flood control structures	6	eis	done	6		4/1/2007	yes			
4	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	AR-Upper Petit Jean Site 9 remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		6/30/1976	yes			
5	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CA-Lower Silver Creek/ stream channel modification	1	eis	pending		1		no			
6	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CA-Stemple Creek/ long term contracts	1	ea	done	1		10/25/2004	yes			
8	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CO- Beaver Creek Watershed, 45 Land Treatment-Long Term Contracts	1	ea	done	1		7/14/2005	yes			
9	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CO- Highline Breaks Watershed, 28 Land Treatment-Long Term Contracts	1	ea	done	1		12/1//1998	yes			
10	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CO-Holbrook Lake Ditch Watershed, 8 Land Treatment-Long Term Contracts	1	ea	done	1		2/26/2001	yes			
11	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CO-Trinidad Lake North Watershed, 10 Land Treatment-Long Term Contracts	1	ea	done	1		3/23/1992	yes			
12	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	CO-Limestone-Graveyard Creeks Watershed, 5 Land Treatment-Long Term Contracts	1	ea	done	1		10/17/1996	yes			
13	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	IA-Mill Creek Watershed Project	1	ea	done	1		7/28/1989	yes			
14	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	IA- Hacklebarney Creek Watershed Project	1	eis	done	1		6/12/1984	yes			
15	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	IA- East Fork of Grand River Watershed Project	1	eis	done	1		2/12/1996	yes			
16	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	ID- Southern Washington County Accelerated Land Treatment Water Quality Project	1	ea	done	1		3/7/2006	no*			
17	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	KS-Big Caney remedial repairs	1	ea	pending		1		no			

18	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	KY- Fox Creek MPS 4 (project 2030) Upgrade High Hazard	1	ea	pending	1	1		yes	
19	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	LA - Red Bayou/ Water Conservation	1	ea	done	1		7/18/2006	no*	
20	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	LA-Bayou Duralde-Lower Nezpique - erosion control	1	ea	done	1		4/26/2002	yes	
21	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MN-Whitewater River Water Quality	1	ea	done			11/15/1996	yes	
22	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MN-Kanaranzi-Little RockWater Quality	1	ea	done			11/15/1987	yes	
23	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- East Yellow Creek /flood prevention	1	eis	done	1		12/21/1988	yes	
24	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- West Fork of Big Creek/ flood prevention	1	eis	done	1		8/2/1984	yes	
25	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- Upper Locust Creek/ flood prevention	1	eis	done	1		4/11/1988	yes	
26	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- Big Creek Hurricane Creek/flood prevention	1	eis	done	1		12/4/1985	yes	
27	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- East Fork of Big Creek/flood prevention	1	ea	done	1		7/5/1983	yes	
28	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MO- Upper Locust Creek/flood prevention	1	eis	done	1		4/11/1988	yes	
29	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	MT- Buffalo Rapids Long Term Contracts for Water Conservation	1	ea	done	1		7/3/2000	yes	
30	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	Nebraska, Blackwood Creek, site 32-A/	1	ea	pending		1		no	
31	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	NY-New York City Watersheds/land treatment contract	1	ea	done	1		4/20/2009	yes	
32	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	NC- Swan Quarter Watershed project-build levee System.	1	ea	done	1		9/6/2002	yes	
33	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	OK-Upper Red Rock / create 319 ac. of habitat	1	ea	pending		1		no	
34	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	Stillwater Creek/ create 12 ac. habitat	1	ea	pending		1		no	
35	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	OK-Turkey Creek Creek 3 and 8 flood control	2	ea	pending		1		no	
36	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	Northern Marianas (Saipan)- Guam	1	eis	done			11/2/1993	yes	
37	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	PA-Neshaminy Creek / Acquire, elevate or flood protect buildings	1	ea	done	1		12/21/2001	no*	
38	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	PA-Tulpehocken Creek / LTCs	1	ea	done	1		11/25/1997	no*	
39	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	PA-Red-White Clay Creeks / LTCs	1	ea	done	1		10/17/1996	no*	
40	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	PA-Brandywine Creek / Wetland Mitigation	1	eis	done	1		3/9/1987	no*	
41	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Elm Creek (Cen-Tex) 5A & 34, Mitigation	1	eis	done	1		7/1/1975	no*	
42	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Caney Creek 3A, Mitigation	1	ea	done	1		6/19/1981	no*	
43	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Big Sandy Creek 24C, Mitigation	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
44	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Chambers Creek 32,38,75B, 108, 109, 111, 112, 128 Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
45	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Lower Brushy Creek 4A & 8, Remedial repairs	1	ea	done	1		3/26/1980	no*	
46	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Plum Creek 8, Remedial repairs	1	ea	done	1		2/27/1980	no*	
47	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Richland Creek 26, 44, 47, 48 Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
48	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Pilot Grove 28, Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
49	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Hickory Creek 13, Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
50	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - Little Elm & Laterals 16 & 19, Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	
51	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Trinity - East Fork Above Lavon 38, Remedial repairs	1	eis	done	1		8/27/1979	no*	

52	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	TX-Upper Brushy Creek 29, Remedial repairs	1	ea	done	1	2/7/1975	no*		
53	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	VA- Chestnut Creek / Land Treatment on Grazing Land	1	ea	done	1	6/19/1996	no*		
54	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	VA- Little Reed Island Creek / Land Treatment on Grazing Land	1	ea	done	1	7/13/2001	yes		
55	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	VA- North Fork Powell River / Land Treatment on Abandoned Mine Lands	1	ea	done	1	6/22/2007	no*		
56	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	WA-Omak Creek/ Land Treatment	1	ea	done	1	9/13/1995	no*		
57	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	WV-Upper Deckers Creek/ water quality	1	ea	done	1	6/1/2000	no*		
58	12-1073 Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations	WV-Upper Tygarts/ Water Supply	1	eis	done	1	9/12/2001	no*		

No* = For required permits, agency policy requires sponsors and/or landowners to obtain all required permits. NRCS requires sponsors and/or landowners to confirm all required permits have been obtained before plans are implemented.