



National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

Excerpts pertaining to Closure Orders from FSH 1909.15 Environmental Policy and Procedures Handbook Chapter 30 – Categorical Exclusion from Documentation

31 – CATEGORIES OF ACTIONS EXCLUDED FROM DOCUMENTATION

31.1 – Categories for Which a Project or Case File and Decision Memo Are Not Required

31.12 – Categories Established by the Chief

The following categories of routine administrative, maintenance, and other actions normally do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment (sec. 05) and, therefore, may be categorically excluded from documentation in an EIS or an EA unless scoping indicates extraordinary circumstances (sec. 30.3) exist:

1. Orders issued pursuant to 36 CFR Part 261 – Prohibitions to provide resource protection or to protect public health and safety.