



**State of Alaska
Department of Transportation & Public Facilities**

**CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DOCUMENTATION FORM
(NEPA Assignment Program Projects)**

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by the applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been carried out by the DOT&PF pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated November 3, 2017, and executed by FHWA and DOT&PF.

I. Project Information

A. Project Name: Edgerton Highway MP 24-29 Resurfacing

B. State Project Number: NFHWY00587

C. Federal Project Number: Pending

D. Primary/Ancillary Project Connections: N/A

E. COA Determination: 23 CFR 771.117(d)(13)

F. Project Scope:

TIP or STIP: STIP

Need ID: 18923

Project Scope:

STIP Need ID 18923 Pavement and Bridge Preservation: Crack sealing, surface treatment drainage, signage, guardrail, illumination, and other refurbishments to prolong the life of road pavement and bridges and their safety related structures. Project includes NHS Lane Delineators, Destination & Distance Signing, Pavement Markings and Signalization, Abandoned Vehicle Program, Road Surfacing and Transfer, Road Surface Treatments, and improve curb ramps to meet ADA standards (in coordination with Need ID 30397). The scope does not include landscaping or other elements inconsistent with a pavement preservation focus.

G. Project Purpose And Need:

The Edgerton Highway MP 24-29 Resurfacing project is a Preventative Maintenance (PM) project with the goal of resurfacing the roadway. The existing pavement surface (high float) has reached the end of its useful life.

H. Project Description:

The roadway will be repaved using Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA). To achieve this, the current roadway is proposed to be reclaimed using a milling machine or reclaimer. Then the surface is proposed to be graded and paved to as-built conditions. In addition to resurfacing, the following activities are proposed (see Figures 1-8):

- Vegetation clearing via hydroaxe along the proposed alignment (MP 24-29) and in MS 850-031-5 and MS 850-033-5).
- Replace signs in the same location at the same depth
- Replace guardrails and update end terminals
 - Embankment widening required to install new guardrails
- Reapplication of pavement highway markings
- Reconstruction
 - MP 24.9 to MP 25.2 will require blasting
- Drainage improvements
 - Recondition ditches along project corridor
 - Replace all existing culverts
- Bridge repairs to Liberty Falls Creek Bridge (No. 279) and Liberty Falls Bridge (No. 285)
- Utility relocation
- Resurface approaches

Materials for this project will be from previously developed and permitted portions of the following material sites (MS):

- MS 850-033-5 (North Liberty Falls Pit)
- MS 850-032-5 (South Liberty Falls Pit)
- MS 850-031-5 (MP 26 Pit)

All material sites will be available to the contractor for contractor staging.

Attachments

Environmental Consequences

Project Plans & Location Information

- Project Plans and Location Info NFWY00587.pdf

Historic Properties and Cultural Impacts

- NFWY00587_Edgeron_Highway_MP24-29_Resurfacing_Findings_Packet_SHPO_03152022.pdf NFWY00587.pdf
- NFWY00587_Edgeron_Highway_MP24-29_Resurfacing_Findings_Packet_Signed_All_03152022.pdf NFWY00587.pdf
- 3130-1R FHWA 2022-00317 Edgeron Hwy MP 25-29 SHPO concurrence 04132022.pdf NFWY00587.pdf

Section 4(f)/6(f) Impacts

- Section 4(f) Exception NFHWY00587.pdf

Floodplain Impacts (23 CFR 650, Subpart A)

- LHS NFHWY00587.pdf
- Public Involvement Documentation NFHWY00587.pdf

Comments and Coordination**Public Involvement**

- NFHWY00587 Edgerton Highway 24-29 Resurf OPN.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf
- NFHWY00587 Edgerton Highway 24-29 Resurf OPN NFHWY00587 (1).pdf

Agency Involvement

- Edgerton Hwy MP 24-29 Resurfacing Agency Scoping.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf
- NFHWY00587 Agency Comment Response Summary.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf
- USFWS Jennie Spegon Comment.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf

II. Environmental Consequences

A. Land Use and Transportation Plans

Yes No

1. Were land use plans for this area reviewed? If yes, include source, link, and date accessed.

DNR Copper River Basin Area Plan (1986),
http://dnr.alaska.gov/mlw/planning/areaplans/crbap/pdf/ch2_transportation.pdf, 1/4/2022

a. Is the project consistent with land use plan(s)?

2. Were transportation plans for this area reviewed?

DOT Interior Alaska Transportation Plan (2010),
https://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/areaplans/area_regional/iatp.shtml, 1/4/2022

Alaska 2036 Long Range Transportation Policy (2016),
https://dot.alaska.gov/stwdplng/areaplans/lrtpp2016/docs/LRTPpolicyplan_finalsigned_12-16.pdf,
2/24/2022

a. Is the project consistent with transportation plan(s)?

3. Would the project induce adverse indirect and cumulative effects on land use or transportation?

Summary

Summarize how the project is consistent or inconsistent with land use and transportation plan(s).

DNR Copper River Basin Area Plan

- Ensure Public Safety: Develop a transportation system with a high standard of public safety.

Interior Alaska Transportation Plan

- Goal 4: Emphasize preservation of the existing transportation facilities
 - a) Implement programs to ensure that deficient highways and bridges are brought into compliance with standards.
 - e) Extend the life of the existing pavement.

Alaska 2036 Long Range Transportation Policy

- Modernization: Make the existing transportation system better and safer through transportation system improvements that support productivity, improve reliability, and reduce safety risks to improve performance of the system.
- System Preservation: Manage the Alaska Transportation System to meet infrastructure condition performance targets and acceptable levels of service for all modes of transportation.
- Safety and Security: Improve transportation system safety and security.

B. Right-of-Way Impacts

Yes No

1. Are there any temporary right-of-way (ROW) impacts (e.g., Temporary Construction Easements (TCEs), Temporary Construction Permits (TCPs), utility relocations, construction staging area)?

B. Right-of-Way Impacts**Yes** **No**

2. Is additional permanent ROW required?

 Summary

Summarize ROW impacts, if any. Include any project-specific commitments or mitigative measures in Section V.

Potential utility relocations may occur at locations for culvert repair/replace. Potential TCPs/TCEs may be acquired.

C. Environmental Justice Impacts (E.O. 12898)**Yes** **No**

1. Is there potential to affect environmental justice (EJ) populations?

2. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

EJSCREEN (<https://ejscreen.epa.gov/mapper/>, 1/5/2022)

3. Are environmental justice (EJ) populations present within or adjacent to the project area?

4. Will the project have an adverse effect on EJ populations?

 Summary

Summarize EJ population impacts and mitigation, if any. Include any project-specific commitments or mitigative measures in Section V.

The project will not disproportionately adversely affect minorities or low income populations according to EJSCREEN. There is some population in the project area, but no different than state average, no impacts to these populations are anticipated.

D. Historic Properties and Cultural Impacts**Yes** **No**

1. Is a National Register of Historic Places listed or eligible property in the proposed Area of Potential Effect (APE)?

2. Was a programmatic allowance processed for the project under the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement?

3. Was Section 106 consultation initiated or a Direct to Findings worksheet completed?

a. Was a direct to findings worksheet completed?

b. Date Consultation Initiation Letters sent

N/A

Attachments

- NFHWHY00587_Edgerton_Highway_MP24-29_Resurfacing_Findings_Packet_SHPO_03152022.pdf NFHWHY00587.pdf

c. List consulting parties:

SHPO, Chitina Native Corporation, Wrangell-St. Elias National Park and Preserve, Native Village of Chitina, and Ahtna, Inc.

D. Historic Properties and Cultural Impacts **Yes** **No**

d. Were any comments received?

4. Was a Section 106 "Finding of Effect" completed?

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- NFHWHY00587_Edgeron_Highway_MP24-29_Resurfacing_Findings_Packet_Signed_All_03152022.pdf NFHWHY00587.pdf

a. Date "Finding of Effect" Letters sent:

3/15/2022

b. State "Finding of Effect":

- No Effect

c. Were there any changes to consulting parties?

d. Were any comments received?

5. Date State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) concurred with "Finding of Effect":

4/13/2022

Attachments

- 3130-1R FHWA 2022-00317 Edgeron Hwy MP 25-29 SHPO concurrence 04132022.pdf NFHWHY00587.pdf

6. Will there be an adverse effect on a historic property?

7. Are there any unresolved issues with consulting parties, including project issues or concerns of a federally-recognized Indian Tribe [36 CFR 800.16(m)]?

Summary

Summarize impacts to historic properties and mitigation, if any. List affected sites (by AHRS number only) and any commitments or mitigative measures. Also include any project-specific commitments or mitigative measures in Section V.

No Consultation Initiation Letters were sent for this project.

Section 106 findings letters of "No Historic Properties Affected" were sent on March 15, 2022 to SHPO and consulting parties, SHPO concurred with the findings on April 13, 2022. SHPO recommends to avoid the Loading Structure (VAL-00650) and the visible segment of the Old Road to Chitina (VAL-00505) that's located in MS 850-031-5 (North Liberty Falls). The two sites will be avoided during project activities along the Edgeron Highway and the usage of the Material Site 850-031-5. This avoidance will be included in the environmental commitments for this project.

No comments were received during the Findings Letter review period.

E. Section 4(f)/6(f) Impacts **Yes** **No**

1. Section 4(f) (23 CFR 774)

a. Was detailed Section 4(f) resource identification conducted for this project, other than that required for Section 106 compliance?

b. Does a Section 4(f) resource exist within or adjacent to the project area?

E. Section 4(f)/6(f) Impacts

Yes No

c. Does an exception listed in 23 CFR 774.13 apply to this project?

- 23 CFR 774.13(d)

Attachments

- Section 4(f) Exception NFHWY00587.pdf

d. Does the project result in the “use” of a Section 4(f) property?

2. Section 6(f) (36 CFR 59)

a. Does a Section 6(f) Land and Water Conservation Fund Act (LWCFA) resource exist within or adjacent to the project area?

Summary

Summarize Section 4(f)/6(f) involvement, if any.

The Liberty Falls State Recreation Site and the Liberty Falls Trail are two Section 4(f) properties in and adjacent to the project work area. Bridge repairs will take place within the Site on the Liberty Falls Bridge (#0285), this work area is adjacent to the Liberty Falls Trail however no work will occur on the trail or the trailhead itself. There are two approaches that will remain open to the users of this area, so they are able to access the recreation opportunities on this property. Contractors will only be able to use the southern most approach to access the work area at the bridge. This will be included as an environmental commitment for this project. The Section 4(f) applicability statement, consultation with the NEPA Program Manager and the OWJ can be found in the attached files.

SHPO concurred with DOT&PF's findings of No Historic Properties Affected on April 13, 2022. The historic sites (VAL-00650 or VAL-00505) located in the North Liberty Falls Pit will be avoided during construction as per the recommendation of SHPO. The other historic resources located within the Liberty Falls State Recreation Site will not be affected as they are not located within the projects APE.

F. Contaminated Sites and Hazardous Materials Impacts

Yes No

1. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

DEC Contaminated Sites Web Mapper, <https://www.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=315240bfbaf84aa0b8272ad1cef3cad3>, 1/5/2022

2. Are there known or potentially contaminated sites within or adjacent to the existing ROW?

3. Would a documented hazardous material site be acquired?

4. Are there contaminated sites within 1,500 feet of where excavation dewatering is anticipated?

Summary

Summarize the contaminated site impacts and mitigation, if any.

There are two previously contaminated sites that are adjacent to the project area, both at the DOT&PF Chitina Maintenance Station. One incident occurred in 1997 with cleanup complete in 2005 and the other occurred in 2019 with cleanup complete in 2021. There are no adverse impacts expected regarding contaminated and hazardous sites as this project has no excavation.

G. Floodplain Impacts (23 CFR 650, Subpart A)

Yes No

1. Does the project encroach into a mapped base floodplain or a potential unmapped base floodplain?

Attachments

- LHS NFHWY00587.pdf
- Public Involvement Documentation NFHWY00587.pdf

a. Does the project encroach into a regulatory floodway?

b. Would the proposed action increase the base flood elevation (BFE) one-foot or greater, or any rise in a regulatory floodway?

c. Is there a longitudinal encroachment into the 100-year floodplain?

d. Is there significant encroachment as defined by 23 CFR 650.105(q)?

2. Does the project conform to local flood hazard requirements?

3. Is the project consistent with E.O. 11988 (Floodplain Protection)?

Summary

Summarize floodplain impacts and describe any temporary encroachment(s) and functionally dependent use(s).

The project will maintain or improve drainage patterns so no adverse floodplain impacts are expected. A public notice on the State of Alaska listing E.O. 11988 Floodplain Management, The Location Hydraulic Study was completed for this project.

H. Wetland and Waterbody Impacts

Yes No

1. Would the project affect wetlands or other Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS), as defined by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) (Section 404).

2. Wetlands?

a. Are the wetlands delineated in accordance with the "Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Alaska Region (Version 2.0) Sept.2007"?

b. Estimated area of wetland involvement (acres): less than 5 acres

c. Estimated fill quantity: 3700 cubic yards

d. Estimated dredge quantities: unknown cubic yards

e. Wetlands Finding

i. Are there practicable alternatives to the proposed construction in wetlands?

ii. Does the project include all practicable measures to minimize harm to wetlands?

iii. Only practicable alternative: Based on the evaluation of avoidance and minimization alternatives, there are no practicable alternatives that would avoid the project's impacts on wetlands. The project includes all practicable measures to minimize harm to the affected wetlands as a result of construction.

3. Waters?

H. Wetland and Waterbody Impacts

Yes No

a. Estimated fill quantities below:

OHW: unknown cubic yards

MHW: unknown cubic yards

HTL: unknown cubic yards

b. Estimated dredge quantities: unknown cubic yards

4. Does the project involve work within or over navigable waters as defined by the USACE (Section 10)?

5. Proposed waterbody involvement:

- Culvert
- Embankment Fill
- Permanent
- Temporary

6. Is a USACE authorization anticipated?

- Nationwide Permit

7. Will the project involve navigable waters as defined by the U.S. Coast Guard (USCG) (Section 9)?

8. Will the project affect a designated Wild and Scenic River or land adjacent to a Wild and Scenic River, including those on the Nationwide Rivers Inventory?

Summary

Summarize wetland and waterbody impacts and mitigation, if any.

Some wetland impacts are anticipated to occur within development of the North Liberty Falls material site and along the project corridor where reconstruction and embankment widening activities are taking place. It is anticipated a NWP will be acquired for this project, however the amount of wetland impacts may require an IP. The estimated fill below OHW is unknown at this time for the project.

I. Fish and Wildlife Impacts

Yes No

1. Anadromous and resident fish habitat.

a. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

ADF&G Alaska Fish Resource Monitor, <https://adfg.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=a05883caa7ef4f7ba17c99274f2c198f>, 1/5/2022

b. Is anadromous or resident fish habitat present in project area (Title 16.05.841 and 16.05.871)?

c. Are there adverse effects on spawning habitat?

d. Are there adverse effects on rearing habitat?

e. Are there adverse effects on migration corridors?

I. Fish and Wildlife Impacts

Yes **No**

f. Are there adverse effects on subsistence species?

g. Are there temporary impacts to fish habitat?

2. Essential Fish Habitat (EFH).

a. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

ADF&G Alaska Fish Resource Monitor, <https://adfg.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=a05883caa7ef4f7ba17c99274f2c198f>, 1/5/2022

b. Is EFH present in project area?

3. Threatened and Endangered (T&E) Species

a. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

USFWS IPaC, <https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/location/ZLVFMEFJ53NB4PCT67XXNT7OHUA/resources#endangered-species>, 1/5/2022

b. Are listed threatened or endangered species present in the project area?

4. Marine Mammals.

a. Is the project located in the marine environment?

5. Wildlife Resources:

a. Is the project in an area of high wildlife/vehicle accidents?

b. Would the project bisect migration corridors?

c. Would the project segment habitat?

6. Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act.

a. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

USFWS IPaC Mapper, <https://ecos.fws.gov/ipac/location/ZLVFMEFJ53NB4PCT67XXNT7OHUA/resources#migratory-birds>,

b. Is the project visible from an eagle nesting tree?

c. Is the project within 330 feet of an eagle nesting tree?

d. Is the project within 660 feet of an eagle nesting tree?

e. Will the project require blasting or other activities that produce extreme loud noises within 1/2 a mile from an active nest?

f. Is an eagle permit required?

7. Is the project consistent with the Migratory Bird Treaty Act?

Summary

Summarize fish and wildlife impacts and mitigation, if any.

There will be some repairs to the Liberty Falls bridge however no in water work will be done at this location so no impacts to fish habitat are anticipated. This project is anticipating repairing/replacing multiple culverts along the project corridor. Mot of these culverts are meant for drainage and don't have water running through year-round, no impacts to fish habitat is anticipated.

Bald and golden eagles may occur within the project area, USFWS recommends that if eagles are present within the project area to avoid construction during their nesting season (March 1 to August 31) and that if there are any eagle nests that occur during construction within a half mile of the project activities to use methods that reduce impacts on eagles.

Mechanized vegetation/land clearing activities will be avoided during the migratory bird nesting season (May 1-July 15) unless a mitigative work plan is submitted by the contractor and approved by DOT&PF.

J. Invasive Species Impacts

Yes No

1. Include source, link, and date accessed of databases used.

AKEPIC Data Portal, <https://aknhp.uaa.alaska.edu/apps/akepic/#map?!g=f37ef462-d080-11e3-a36b-00219bfe5678&z=14&l=61.54307%2C-144.47453>, 1/5/2022

2. Are invasive species present in project area?

3. Does the project include all practicable measures to minimize the introduction or spread of invasive species, making the project consistent with E.O. 13112 (Invasive Species)?

Summary

Summarize invasive species impacts and mitigation, if any.

The following invasive species are present in the project area: narrowleaf hawksbeard, common dandelion, foxtail barley, European stickseed, white sweetclover, pineappleweed, common pepperweed, and lambsquarters.

Practicable measures to minimize the introduction or spread invasive species would include: 1) Avoiding the use of listed noxious species for landscaping and erosion control purposes, 2) Sequencing construction activities to minimize disturbed areas, 3) Timely seeding of project disturbed areas with non-invasive species providing adequate cover. With implementation of the practicable measures, the project is expected to result in no substantial invasive species impacts.

K. Water Quality Impacts

Yes No

1. Will there be temporary degradation of water quality?

2. Is a public or private drinking water source or protection area within or adjacent to the project?

3. Would the project result in a discharge of storm water to a WOTUS? [40 CFR 230.3(o)]

4. Would the project discharge storm water into or affect an ADEC-designated Impaired Waterbody?

5. Will the project involve more than one (1) acre of ground-disturbing activities?

6. Is there a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) APDES permit, or will runoff be mixed with discharges from an APDES permitted industrial facility?

Summary

Summarize the water quality impacts and mitigation, if any.

Project storm water will discharge into the Copper River. Sedimentation is expected to be minimal and best management practices (BMP's) will be implemented for the purpose of meeting state and federal water quality standards. A project-specific Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) will be developed prior to construction initiation. A Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) will be developed and implemented by the construction contractor. The SWPPP will comply with the Alaska Pollution Discharge Elimination System (APDES) General Permit for Construction Activities.

L. Air Quality Impacts

Yes No

- 1. Will there be temporary degradation of air quality?
- 2. Is the project located in an air quality maintenance area or nonattainment area (CO or PM-10 or PM-2.5)?

Summary

Summarize air quality impacts and mitigation, if any.

The project is not located within a nonattainment area. Temporary degradation of air quality may occur from the use of the heavy equipment through emissions and airborne particulates. To mitigate for air quality, the contractor will provide watering of dust prone areas during construction.

M. Noise Impacts (23 CFR 772)

Yes No

- 1. Will there be temporary noise impacts?
- 2. Does the project involve any of the following Type I project actions listed below (23 CFR 772.5)?

Summary

Summarize noise impacts and mitigation, if any.

The proposed project is not a Type 1 project therefore, a noise analysis is not required. Noise impacts during construction of the road will be minimal and temporary.

N. Social and Economic Impacts

Yes No

- 1. Would the project affect neighborhoods or community cohesion?
- 2. Would the project affect school boundaries, recreation areas, churches, businesses, police and fire protection, etc.?
- 3. Would the project affect the elderly, handicapped, non-drivers, transit-dependent, minority and ethnic groups, or the economically disadvantaged?
- 4. Would the project affect travel patterns and accessibility (e.g., vehicular, commuter, bicycle, or pedestrian)?
- a. Would the project include temporary delays and detours of traffic?

N. Social and Economic Impacts

Yes No

5. The project will have adverse economic impacts on the regional and/or local economy, such as effects on development, tax revenues and public expenditures, employment opportunities, accessibility, and retail sales.

6. The project will adversely affect established businesses or business districts.

a. Would the project have temporary impacts on businesses?

Summary

Summarize social and economic impacts and mitigation, if any.

The project will not have adverse social or economic impacts to the surrounding community or businesses. During construction, short term traffic delays and interruptions may occur throughout the project but access to businesses, neighborhoods, and recreation areas will remain open. To minimize delays, the contractor will provide DOT&PF with a traffic control plan prior to construction. In the long term, the project will maintain existing travel patterns and improve accessibility by providing an improved roadway surface and associated features that extend the life of the roadway.

III. Comments and Coordination

A. Public Involvement

Yes No

1. Was public involvement for project completed?

2. Was the project public noticed?

a. Newspaper name and date of notice:

b. Alaska Online Public Notice date:

An OPN was posted on March 21, 2022.

Attachments

- NFHWHY00587 Edgerton Highway 24-29 Resurf OPN.pdf NFHWHY00587.pdf

c. Were public notices completed for specific resource impacts (e.g., floodplain, Section 4(f))?

Attachments

- NFHWHY00587 Edgerton Highway 24-29 Resurf OPN NFHWHY00587 (1).pdf

3. Was a public meeting held?

4. Is there any unresolved controversy on human, natural, or economic grounds?

Summary

Summarize public comments and coordination efforts for this project. Discuss pertinent issues raised.

No public comments were received.

B. Agency Involvement

Yes **No**

1. Was an agency scoping conducted?

An agency scoping letter was sent on March 3, 2022.

Attachments

- Edgerton Hwy MP 24-29 Resurfacing Agency Scoping.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf

2. Was an agency scoping meeting held?

3. Was a field review completed with agencies?

Summary

Summarize agency coordination efforts for this project.

Agency scoping letter was sent to agencies on March 3, 2022. Comments were received from USFWS, ADF&G, and DNR. Comments from these agencies were requesting further coordination during the permitting process and to update if there are any changes to the project. A comment summary is attached with comments from the agencies.

Attachments

- NFHWY00587 Agency Comment Response Summary.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf
- USFWS Jennie Spegon Comment.pdf NFHWY00587.pdf

IV. Permits and Authorizations

<u>A. Permits and Authorizations</u>	Yes	No
1. USACE, Section 404/10 Includes Abbreviated Permit Process, Nationwide Permit, and General Permit	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Coast Guard, Section 9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. ADF&G Fish Habitat Permit (Title 16.05.871 and Title 16.05.841)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Flood Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. ADEC Non-domestic Wastewater Plan Approval	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6. Requires 401 Cert	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7. ADEC APDES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Eagle Permit	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
9. Incidental Take Authorization	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10. Local (Borough or City) permit (e.g., noise)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10. Other Permits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Summary

A USACE NWP, or potentially an IP, is anticipated for this project.

V. Environmental Commitments

<u>A. Environmental Commitments and Mitigation Measures [23 CFR 771.109(b)]</u>	Yes	No
1. Are there project-specific environmental commitments for this project?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Summary

DOT&PF and their Contractor(s) shall:

The contractor will avoid the Loading Structure (VAL-00650) in the North Liberty Falls Pit (MS 850-031-5) and the adjacent visible segment of the Old Road to Chitina (VAL-00505) during project activities along the Edgerton Highway and usage of MS 850-031-5.

Contractors will only be allowed access to the Liberty Falls State Recreation Site using the southern approach to work on the Liberty Falls Bridge (#0285). Access will remain open from both approaches to users of the recreation site.

Mechanized vegetation/land clearing activities will be avoided during the migratory bird nesting season (May 1-July 15) unless a mitigative work plan is submitted by the contractor and approved by DOT&PF.

VI. Environmental Documentation Approval

A. Environmental Documentation Approval

Yes No

1. Do any unusual circumstances exist, as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b)?

2. Does the project meet the criteria of one of the following DOT&PF Programmatic Approvals authorized in the Nov. 13, 2017 "Chief Engineer Directive - Programmatic Categorical Exclusions"?

- Programmatic Approval 2

Summary

This project qualifies as a PCE.

Environmental Documentation Approval Signatures

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