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Environmental Division NEPA Programs

Programmatic Categorical Exclusion (PCE)

Project Information

Project Name: Country Club Rd. Sidewalk - SRTS Federal Project#: TAP-5115(262)

Enhancement

Project Number: EN22-115-281, M501, P101, R201 **Project Type:** Construction

UPC: 121207 **Charge Number:** UPC-0000121207-68X

Project

Number(Assoc)(UPC):

N/A Route Number: **Route Type:**

Safe Routes To: To Schools **Project Limit--From:**

COUNTRY CLUB RD. SIDEWALK - SRTS ENHANCEMENT **IPM Project Description:**

Additional Project

Description:

The project will construct approximately 950 linear feet of 5' wide sidewalk, with variable width grass buffer, along the south side of Country Club Road between Linda Lane and the private road at Spotswood Homes Trailer Park. A crosswalk, with ADA curb ramps and audible pedestrian signals, will be constructed on the east side of the Linda Lane & Country Club Road intersection to connect the sidewalk to the shared use path on Linda Lane. Approximately 500 linear feet of curb and gutter, CG-6, will be constructed so that there is continuous curb and gutter along this segment. A curb ramp with detectable warning will provide access to the sidewalk from the private road. Additional storm sewer and stormwater structures will be constructed as necessary. Major utility relocations are not anticipated, but additional easement or ROW will be required for

the sidewalk.

The purpose of this project is to construct a sidewalk to provide a safe route to school from Spotswood homes Trailer Park to Smithland Elementary and Skyline Middle schools. **Purpose And Need:**

District: City/County: **Residency:**

Staunton Harrisonburg Harrisonburg

The subject project meets the criteria for a Programmatic Categorical Exclusion in accordance with:

23 CFR 771.117

Description of PCE Category:

Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities.

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UNUSUAL CIRCUMSTANCES:

1. The proposed action will not result in significant environmental impacts.

Finding: Other; brief narrative provided in notes.

Notes: As per Staunton District Environmental Staff, there are no significant environmental impacts as determined through project

reviews and as described in the "Impacts" section of this document.

2. The proposed action will not result in substantial controversy on environmental grounds.

Other; brief narrative provided in notes. Finding:

As per Staunton District Environmental Staff and the Staunton District Project Manager (PM), there is no controversy on **Notes:**

environmental grounds.

3. The proposed action will not result in significant impact on properties protected by Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act or Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Finding: Other: brief narrative provided in notes.

As per Staunton District Environmental Staff, there are no significant impacts to these protected resources as determined **Notes:**

through project reviews/coordination and described in the "Impacts" section of this document.

4. The project sponsor confirms that proposed action will not result in any inconsistencies with any Federal, State, or local law, requirement or administrative determination relating to the environmental aspects of the action.

IMPACTS:

5. The proposed action will not involve acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent right of way.

Finding: Review of project plans.

As per the project plans, only minor amounts of right-of-way would be acquired for this project. **Notes:**

6. The proposed action will not involve residential or non-residential displacements.

Finding: Review of project plans.

Notes: As per the scope of work and project plans, there would be no displacements associated with this project.

7. The proposed action will not result in capacity expansion of a roadway by addition of through lanes.

Finding: Review of project plans indicates there is no capacity expansion

Notes: The purpose of the proposed work is to construct a sidewalk for Safe Routes to School. It would not include roadway expansion.

8. The proposed action does not involve the construction of temporary access, or the closure of an existing road, bridge, or ramps that would result in major traffic disruptions based on the context and intensity of the impact.

Finding: Traffic disruptions will be minor and continuous traffic flow will be maintained. There will be minimal to no detours and

emergency vehicle and school bus access will be maintained.

Notes: Based upon the project scope, there would be no major disruptions to traffic.

9. The proposed action does not result in a determination of adverse effect on historic properties pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. §306108).

Finding: Other; brief narrative provided in notes.

Date of

Finding: 01/17/2023

Notes: On January 17, 2023, VDOT Western Region Cultural Resources Staff determined that this project would have No Effect on

historic properties.

10. The proposed action does not require the use of properties protected by Section 4(f) (49 U.S.C. § 303/23 U.S.C. § 138) that cannot be documented with an FHWA de minimis determination, or a programmatic Section 4(f) evaluation signed by FHWA.

Finding: There will be no use of Section 4(f) properties.

Date of

Finding: 10/03/2023

Notes: Although there are minor amounts of right-of-way to be acquired, there are no Section 4(f) properties within the project area

and there would be no use of Section 4(f) resources.

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11. The proposed action does not require the acquisition of lands under the protection of Section 6(f) of the Land and Water Conservation Act of 1965 (54 U.S.C. § 200305) or other unique areas or special lands that were acquired in fee or easement with federal public-use-money and have deed restrictions or covenants on the property.

Finding: Based on documented review of available mapping and databases, there will be no acquisition of lands protected by Section 6(f)

or other unique areas or special lands.

Notes: As per Staunton District Document Staff, no Section 6(f) or other unique areas or special lands would be impacted by this

project.

12. The proposed action does not require a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 (33 U.S.C. § 1344) permit other than a Nationwide or a General Permit.

Finding: The project will not require a water quality permit based on the documentation provided.

Date of

Finding: *10/20/2023*

Notes: As per Staunton District Natural Resources Staff and 30% plans dated June 2023, the proposed project would not require a U.S.

Army Corps of Engineers Section 404 (33 U.S.C. § 1344) permit other than a Nationwide or a General Permit. The Permit

Determination, dated October 20, 2023, is in CEDAR.

13. The proposed action does not require a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit (33 U.S.C. § 401).

Finding: The project does not involve work on bridges over navigable waters necessitating a USCG permit.

Notes: Given the scope and location of this project, it would not require a U.S. Coast Guard bridge permit.

14. The proposed action does not require work that will cause an increase of the flood level by more than one foot within a regulatory floodway of water courses or water bodies or work affecting the base floodplain (100-year flood) elevations of a water course or lake, pursuant to 23 CFR §650 subpart A.

Finding: Other; brief narrative provided in notes.

Notes: Given the scope and location of this project, it would have no potential to increase the flood level.

15. The proposed action is not defined as a "Type I project" per 23 CFR §772.5 and the VDOT noise manual for purposes of a noise analysis.

Finding: Other; brief narrative provided in notes.

Notes: As per VDOT Noise Guidance, this project does not require a noise study.

16. The proposed action is not likely to adversely affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat, with the exception of a "may affect, likely to adversely affect" (MALAA) determination for a species with a Section 7 programmatic biological opinion.

Finding: The project is Not Likely to Adversely Affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat.

Date of

Finding: *08/15/2023*

Notes: As per Staunton District Natural Resources Staff, the project would not adversely affect federally listed species or designated critical habitat. The T&E Clearance Report, dated August 15, 2023, is in CEDAR.

17. The proposed action does not involve any known or potential hazardous materials issues that represent a substantial liability or require substantial regulatory negotiation to resolve.

Finding: Other; brief narrative provided in notes.

Notes: As per Regional Hazardous Materials Manager, no hazardous materials issues are anticipated for this project. The Hazardous Materials Form, dated February 16, 2023, is in CEDAR.

18. The proposed action is fiscally constrained and meets the provisions of the "Planning Documents and NEPA Approvals" document in accordance with 23 CFR §450.

Finding: This project is included in a STIP Grouping.

Notes: The project is grouped as Construction: Safety/ITS/Operational Improvements.



19. The proposed action will not cause disproportionately high and adverse effects on any minority or low-income populations.

The project does not involve displacements, changes in access, major traffic disruptions, more than minor amounts of right of Finding: way acquisition, community disruptions, or disruption of emergency services.

Notes: Given its scope and location, this project would not cause disproportionately high or adverse effects on any minority or lowincome populations.

20. The project sponsor confirms the project does not involve consideration of multiple NEPA alternatives and is not listed in 23 CFR §771.115(a).

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Environmental Manager, CE Determination	Date



