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MEMORANDUM FOR BEVERLY COOK
ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, AND HEALTH

FROM: JOHN H. KERSTEN
MANAGER

SUBJECT: Annual National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Planning Summary

As requested in your December 19, 2003 memorandum, attached is the 2004 Annual NEPA Planning Summary for the Golden Field Office (GO). GO is currently conducting one Environmental Assessment (EA) and no Environmental Impact Statements (EIS). GO anticipates conducting four additional EA's in 2004 and no EISs in the next two years.

Please contact Steve Blazek, NEPA Compliance Officer, at (303) 275-4723 with any questions regarding this planning summary.

Attachment

cc: Othalene Lawrence, Environmental Specialist
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Annual NEPA Planning Summary Status of Ongoing NEPA Compliance Activities: Environmental Assessments

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*Title, Location	Estimated Cost	Estimated Schedule (**NEPA Milestones)		Description
Agricultural Mixed Waste Biorefinery Using Thermal Conversion Process, Fernley, NV	$50,000	Determination Date:	9/18/2001	DOE would provide funding for construction and operation of an agricultural mixed-waste biorefinery in Fernley, NV. Progress on this EA is dependent on advancement of work at the Weld County, CO site, discussed below.
		Transmittal to State:	TBD	
		EA Approval:	TBD	
		FONSI:	TBD	
Agricultural Mixed Waste Biorefinery Using Thermal Conversion Process, Enterprise, Alabama	50,000	Determination Date:	9/3/2002	DOE would provide funding for construction and operation of an agricultural mixed-waste biorefinery in Enterprise, AL. Progress on this EA is dependent on advancement of work at the Weld County, CO site, discussed below.
		Transmittal to State:	TBD	
		EA Approval:	TBD	
		FONSI:	TBD	
Agricultural Mixed Waste Biorefinery Using Thermal Conversion Process, Weld County, CO	30,000	Determination Date:	8/29/2003	DOE would provide funding for construction and operation of an agricultural mixed-waste biorefinery in Weld County, CO. The proposed plant would process about 400 tons/day of agricultural residuals and low-value organic streams, creating products such as fuel gas and light oil.
		Transmittal to State:	4-Apr	
		EA Approval:	4-May	
		FONSI:	4-May	
Ormat Desert Peaks East EGS Project, NV	15,000	Determination Date:	9/3/2003	DOE would provide funding for an Enhanced/Engineered Geothermal Systems (EGS) project in Nevada. Project components would include well recompletion and pipeline installation. This EA is being prepared by a third-party contractor and in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management.
		Transmittal to State:	May-04	
		EA Approval:	Jun-04	
		FONSI:	Jun-04	
Empire Energy Field Verification of a Small-scale Geothermal Power Plant, NV DOE/EA 1379	50,000	Determination Date:	9/22/2000	This proposed project has been re-scoped several times since the original determination. The current proposal would require coordinated NEPA review between DOE and BLM; discussions are ongoing.
		Transmittal to State:	TBD	
		EA Approval:	TBD	
		FONSI:	TBD	
	Total Estimated Cost			
	$195,000.00			

*Please include projected NEPA milestones, if planned