CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DOCUMENTATION FOR DNRC REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT ACTIVITY

Project Name: LUL307-2300023 – US Forest Service

Proposed Implementation Date: October 18, 2022

Proponent: US Forest Service

Type and Purpose of Action: Issuing a Land Use License (LUL) for general access to state land to

conduct a drone flight training.

Location: SE¹/₄ Sec 8, T1S, R3E

County: Gallatin

Category (refer to ARM 36.25.918 (1)(a-o) for additional detail):

\boxtimes	Lease and License Administration		
	Review of Lease and License Modification		
	Boundary Adjustments to Existing Leases		
	Project Planning and Design		
	Project Evaluation under ARM 36.25.906		
	Development of a Site Selection Report under ARM 36.25.907		
	Project Selection under ARM 36.25.908		
	Development of the Project Management List under ARM 36.25.909		
	Marketing of State Trust Lands Proposed for lease, license, or easement		
	Short-term land use licenses, involving no resource extraction or developed uses, and conforming to local permitting and land use regulations		
	Other RE Management Activities Administered by the Bureau on State Trust Lands that are not in connection to:		
	 i. A Department Proposal for a Sale, Exchange, Easement, Placement of Improvement, Lease, License, or Permit; or 		
	ii. A Department Review of an Application for Authorization of a Sale, Exchange, Easement, Placement of Improvement, Lease, License, or Permit		
	Department Request to Amend a Local Growth Policy or Zoning Regulation		
Ħ	Department Request to Amend or Develop a Neighborhood Plan or Extension of Services		
_	Plan		
	Annexation		
	Land Acquisition		

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Trust Land Management Division, has adopted the above categorical exclusions for real estate activities conducted on state trust lands. "Categorical Exclusion" refers to a type of action that does not individually, collectively, or cumulatively require an EA or EIS unless extraordinary circumstances occur (ARM 36.2.522(5)).

Extraordinary Circumstances:

Will the proposed action affect one or more of the following resources, species or situations in the project area? If the resource, species, or situation is present, but project design avoids potential adverse effects on the resource, the answer is "No". One "Yes" answer indicates that Categorical Exclusion is not appropriate for the project, and an EA or EIS must be conducted.

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YES NO)	
	a) upon sites with high ero	sion risk.
	b) where critical habitat for affected	or federally listed threatened and endangered species may be
	c) where Native American	religious and cultural sites may be affected
	d) where archaeological si	ites may be affected
	e) where historic properties	es and areas may be affected
	result in significant impac closely in time, or in the s	ttegorically-excluded individual activities may cumulatively ts to the human environment because they will either occur ame geographic area. Such related actions may be subject to n if they are not individually subject to review
	g) where the activity would result in a violation of any applicable local, state, or fee laws or regulations	
		indicated categorical exclusion, including specified vided in the Real Estate Management Project Rules (ARM
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