Department of Veterans Affairs

National Environmental Policy Act - Project Review

Project: Renovate Building 78 - Police

687-13-103

Location: Jonathan Wainwright VAMC Campus, Walla Walla, Washington

Date: 15 May 14

Description of Action:

Renovate Building 78 basement office area for police functions. Replace finishes and add appropriate security systems

Background:

B-78 basement office area was the prior executive office space. The area is selected as viable campus police space to include secured storage and holding cell, and intrusion systems

Action:

The project is to replace aging interior carpet of floor tiles, minor wall and door renovation and add security system

Alternatives Considered:

1. No Action – leave space as configured. The space as configured does not meet police storage and handling requirements
2. Use other space on campus for police - other space alternatives did not contain adequate space for dept needs.

NEPA Evaluation:

a. Air Emissions – None
b. Asbestos – None
c. Noise – None
d. Solid Waste - None
e. Hazardous Waste – None
f. Biological Resources – None – Interior renovation
g. CERCLA/RCRA – None – Interior renovation
h. Wetlands – None interior renovation
i. Surface Water – None, interior renovation
j. Subsurface Water – None, interior renovation
k. Aesthetics - None, interior space not historic. No impacts to bldg. exterior
l. Cultural Resources – None, interior space not historic. No impacts to bldg. exterior

Therefore, I have determined this project to be CATEX eligible per VA NEPA Interim Guidance, Draft 2010, CATEX Item #5: Interior construction or renovation. VA Directive 0067 VA National Environmental Policy Act Implementation, June 21 2013, para 4, h, (12) (a). VHA signature authorities.

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