

RURAL UTILITIES SERVICE ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS SHEET FOR A
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

PROJECT NAME: _____

[Date Received]	[POS]	
_____	1	[3] Project Description
_____	2	[3] Classification of Environmental Assessment
_____	3	[3] Processing Office briefs applicant on RUS environmental review requirements and provides RUS Bulletin 1794A-602 to applicant (if needed).
_____	4	[*] Environmental Report by Consulting Engineer
_____	5	[3] Processing Office Review of Environmental Report and complete RD 2006-38, Civil Rights Impact Analysis (CRIA)

Complete items 6 through 17 for Categorical Exclusion

_____	6	[3] Processing Office completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit H, "Environmental Checklist for Categorical Exclusion"
_____	7	[3] Environmental Report, CRIA, and SI 1794-1, Exhibit H sent to State Environmental Coordinator (SEC)
_____	8	[3] SEC accepts Environmental Report and completes SI 1794-Exhibit A, "Environmental Report Acceptance Letter" and forwards to Processing Office
_____	9	[3] SEC signs SI 1794-1, Exhibit H
_____	10	[3] Public Notification Requirements from SEC
_____	11	[3] Public Notification by Applicant with appropriate documentation
_____	12	[3] Processing Office reviews public comments (if any) with applicant and makes changes/documentation
_____	13	[3] SEC reviews and documents concurrence of all changes and additional documentation on SI 1794-1, Exhibit H
_____	14	[3] Approval Official approves and sends SI 1794-1, Exhibit H
_____	15	[3] Processing Office informs Applicant to publish Final Notice (if required)
_____	16	[3] Applicant publishes Final Notice and provides appropriate documentation
_____	17	[3] Processing Office completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit G, "Private Party Notification" and sends to applicant (if applicable)

Complete items 18 through 34 for Environmental Assessment

_____	18	[3] Environmental Report and CRIA sent to SEC
_____	19	[3] SEC reviews Environmental Report
_____	20	[3] SEC accepts Environmental Report and/or determines unacceptable
_____	21	[3] SEC completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit A, "Environmental Report Acceptance Letter" and forwards to Processing Office with instructions for public notification requirements on SI 1794-1, Exhibit C
_____	22	[3] Processing Office informs Applicant that Environmental Report has been accepted and will serve as Rural Development/Rural Utilities Service's Environmental Assessment
_____	23	[3] Processing Office informs Applicant to publish a Public Notice announcing the availability of the Environmental Assessment
_____	24	[3] Public review comments submitted to Processing Office with documentation of publication
_____	25	[3] Processing Office reviews public comments with Applicant (if applicable)
_____	26	[3] Applicant makes changes as necessary to environmental document (if necessary)
_____	27	[3] Processing Office submits environmental documentation to SEC
_____	28	[3] SEC concurs with documentation of public comments and necessary changes to environmental assessment
_____	29	[3] SEC completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit D, recommending FONSI to Approval Official
_____	30	[3] Approval Official signs SI 1794-1, Exhibit E, "FONSI"
_____	31	[3] Approval Official completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit F, "Notice of FONSI"
_____	32	[3] Processing Office informs Applicant to publish FONSI
_____	33	[3] FONSI is published and documentation provided
_____	34	[3] Processing Office completes SI 1794-1, Exhibit G, "Private Party Notification" and sends to applicant (if applicable where floodplains are involved)

A four position file will be established for the environmental assessment items. All items should be filed in chronological order in position 3 except the status sheet. Item #4 with a "*" will be placed in the expandable file jacket with the Preliminary Engineering Report and this environmental assessment file. The expandable file jacket should be properly labeled with the contents.