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SECTION A. Project Title: 2018 Campus Improvement Projects at the Materials and Fuels Complex (MFC)

## SECTION B. Project Description and Purpose:

Various facilities at Idaho National Laboratory's (INL's) Materials and Fuels Complex (MFC) have dated interiors and other facility components that need to be upgraded, repaired, or replaced. The purpose of the MFC Campus Improvement Projects is to improve facility appearance and enhance the workplace environment. The proposed action would remodel conference rooms, offices, and bathrooms and would include the following actions:

- Replace light fixtures and carpet
- Install new wall finish, tile, and paint
- Update audio and visual equipment
- Replace windows
- Reconfigure heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) ductwork
- Repair sidewalks.

This checklist covers repair of a limited number of cracked or broken individual components of sidewalks to slow or halt deterioration caused from normal conditions. This type of work may occur in multiple units or at multiple buildings, but this environmental checklist (EC) does not cover extensive repairs, replacement, or construction of walkways.

The proposed activities would be funded through fiscal year 2018 and do not include changes to laboratory spaces; research and development activities; or installation or relocation of laboratory equipment, electronic hardware, manufacturing machinery, maintenance equipment, or health and safety equipment for reasons other than workplace enhancement. Activities not meeting the scope of this environmental checklist (EC) require separate, project-specific ECs. Project personnel must contact the program environmental lead (PEL) to verify that various projects are within the scope of this (EC).

### **SECTION C. Environmental Aspects or Potential Sources of Impact:**

#### **Air Emissions**

Work may result in the disturbance or removal of asbestos.

#### **Disturbing Cultural or Biological Resources**

A number of buildings at MFC are eligible for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. Removal and/or changes of original features may adversely impact historic properties.

#### **Generating and Managing Waste**

These activities may generate a variety of waste. It is anticipated that the following types of waste could be generated:

- Industrial (non-hazardous, non-radioactive) waste includes typical maintenance wastes such as boxes, wood, wiring, paper, insulation, and some metals.
- Hazardous wastes have the potential to be generated during maintenance operations on systems or equipment containing hazardous
  chemicals, or by using hazardous chemicals to clean or decontaminate equipment and systems. Hazardous metal waste (e.g., lead,
  electronics, brass, metal containing paints, etc.) may also be generated during maintenance work or by replacement of outdated equipment.
  Note: Lead has been encountered very infrequently (e.g., shielded cables).
- Asbestos waste may be generated when performing maintenance activities on equipment or structures with asbestos-containing materials (ACM) such as insulation, gaskets, flanges, walls, roofing, and flooring.
- Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) waste could be generated when performing maintenance associated with pre-1982 equipment/materials such as capacitors, lubricants/dielectric fluids, transformers/bushings, painted surfaces and other electrical equipment/components.

#### **Releasing Contaminants**

Although not anticipated, chemical use has a potential for small air emissions and spills.

### Using, Reusing, and Conserving Natural Resources

All materials would be reused and/or recycled where economically practicable. All applicable waste would be diverted from disposal in the landfill where conditions allow. The project would practice sustainable acquisition.

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SECTION D. Determine Recommended Level of Environmental Review, Identify Reference(s), and State Justification: Identify the applicable categorical exclusion from 10 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) 1021, Appendix B, give the appropriate justification, and the approval date.

For Categorical Exclusions (CXs), the proposed action must not: (1) threaten a violation of applicable statutory, regulatory, or permit requirements for environmental, safety, and health, or similar requirements of Department of Energy (DOE) or Executive Orders; (2) require siting and construction or major expansion of waste storage, disposal, recovery, or treatment or facilities; (3) disturb hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, or Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA)-excluded petroleum and natural gas products that pre-exist in the environment such that there would be uncontrolled or unpermitted releases; (4) have the potential to cause significant impacts on environmentally sensitive resources (see 10 CFR 1021). In addition, no extraordinary circumstances related to the proposal exist that would affect the significance of the action. In addition, the action is not "connected" to other action actions (40 CFR 1508.25(a)(1) and is not related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts (40 CFR 1608.27(b)(7)).

References: 10 CFR 1021, Appendix B, B2.1 "Workplace enhancements"

**Justification:** Project activities are consistent with 10 CFR 1021, Appendix B, B2.1, "Modifications within or contiguous to an existing structure, in a previously disturbed or developed area, to enhance workplace habitability (including, but not limited to, installation or improvements to lighting, radiation shielding, or heating/ventilating/air conditioning and its instrumentation, and noise reduction."

Approved by Jason Sturm, DOE-ID NEPA Compliance Officer on: 2/27/2018