



**Volume 7**

**BPA TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION NEPA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE**

Lead Organization:

Project Title:

Under the U.S. Department of Energy’s National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Implementing Procedures (10 CFR part 1021), BPA must evaluate the potential environmental impact of projects considered for Technology Innovation funding. BPA must determine the appropriate level of NEPA review for projects considered for funding, which may include preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement, Environmental Assessment, or Categorical Exclusion from further NEPA review.

Please answer the questions below for the project as a whole, including all known details about the work that would be performed by the lead organization and all project partners. When prompted below, provide specific information regarding the nature of the project activities, including information on size, operations, and footprint. Please identify the location(s) of project activities and specifically describe activities that would occur there.

Indicate (X) “Yes” or “No” for each item below

Yes	No		
		1	Is the proposed project limited <u>exclusively</u> to activities such as literature searches and information gathering, data analysis, computer modeling, analytical reviews, conceptual design, feasibility studies, document preparation, data dissemination, and paper studies? An answer of “yes” would indicate that the proposal does not involve any physical experiments, demonstration projects, or similar activities. (If yes, then skip the remaining questions and sign the next page.)
		2	Would the proposed project (a) be limited to small-scale (including bench- or lab-scale) research, demonstration, or pilot projects within existing facilities; and (b) NOT involve any change in facilities’ missions and operations, land-use planning, or regulatory- and operating-permit requirements?
<b><u>If you answered “yes” questions 1 or 2, then skip the remaining questions and sign the next page.</u></b>			
		3	Would the proposed project involve modification of any existing facility or require new construction?
		4	Would project activities involve in-water work or any new or existing water source?
		5	Would project activities occur in vegetated or otherwise undisturbed locations?
		6	Would project activities increase noise levels above current levels?
		7	Would project activities involve the use or disposal of hazardous or toxic materials?

		8 Would activities occur in an area or waterbody with a special designation (e.g., National Wildlife Refuge, Wild and Scenic River)?
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**If you answered "yes" to any question from 3 through 8, please provide an explanation for each, with all known site-specific details.**

The information provided above is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Principal Investigator Signature:

Date:

Name (printed):