Oklahoma Clean Water State Revolving Fund

**Request for Environmental Categorical Exclusion**

Name of Project(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

ORF/Loan No.:

County:

Latitude: Longitude:

Legal Description(s):

Primary Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Provide a complete description of all the project(s) for the loan that corresponds to an exclusion in number 2, including the purpose, need, cost and project map(s). Once this form is submitted, any augmentation to the project description below may require an additional review. A Cat Ex will only be granted for what is listed below.

Does the project include line work? If so, please tell us how many linear feet and the method the line will be installed.

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Will the line(s) be crossing any water bodies? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ If so, please indicate these locations on a map.

Will the project place any dredged or fill material into any “waters of the United States”? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Will this be line replacement in the same location or new line? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Check the categorical exclusion which applies to the project:

The project is directed solely toward rehabilitation of existing facilities, functional replacement of equipment, or toward the construction of related facilities adjoining the existing facilities that do not affect the degree of treatment or the capacity of the works (i.e. infiltration and inflow correction, rehabilitation of existing equipment and structures and the construction of small structures adjacent to or on existing sites).

The project is in a community of less than 10,000 population and is for minor expansions or upgrading of existing treatment works or on-site disposal systems are proposed.

The project is in an unsewered community involving the replacement of existing onsite systems, providing the new onsite systems do not result insubstantial increases in the volume of discharge or the loadings of pollutants from existing sources, or relocate existing discharge.

The project involves re-issuance of a NPDES permit for a new source providing the conclusions of the NEPA document are still valid (including the appropriate mitigation), there will be no degradation of the receiving waters, and the permit conditions do not change or are more environmentally protective.

The project is for an award of grants authorized by Congress under EPA’s annual Appropriations Act that are solely for the reimbursement of the costs of a project that was completed prior to the date the appropriation was enacted.

The project relates to existing infrastructure systems (such as sewer systems; and stormwater systems, including combined sewer overflow systems) that involve minor upgrading, or minor expansion of system capacity or rehabilitation (including functional replacement) of the existing system and system components (such as the sewer collection network and treatment system; and stormwater systems, including combined sewer overflow systems) or construction of new minor ancillary facilities adjacent to or on the same property as existing facilities. This category does not include actions that: involve new or relocated discharges to surface or ground water; will likely result in the substantial increase in the volume or the loading of pollutant to the receiving water; will provide capacity to serve a population 30% greater than the existing population; are not supported by the state, or other regional growth plan or strategy; or directly or indirectly involve or relate to upgrading or extending infrastructure systems primarily for the purposes of future development.

3. Attach a map of the proposed project including the exact location of all existing and proposed facilities, construction areas, the planning area boundaries and any known environmentally sensitive areas.

4. Provide any additional information which may be useful to the review and decision for this request.

Per Environmental Review Process rules **785:50-9-60 (1) (A) (iii) (I-X)**  a final decision to categorically exclude a project cannot be made if any of the following extraordinary circumstances are involved in the project actions. Extraordinary circumstances are when:

(I) The proposed action is known or expected to have potentially significant environmental impacts on the quality of the human environment either individually or cumulatively over time.

(II) The proposed action is known or expected to have disproportionately high and

adverse human health or environmental effects on any community, including minority communities, low-income communities, or federally-recognized Indian tribal communities.

(III) The proposed action is known or expected to significantly affect federally listed threatened or endangered species or their critical habitat.

(IV) The proposed action is known or expected to significantly affect national natural landmarks or any property with nationally significant historic, architectural, prehistoric, archeological, or cultural value, including but not limited to, property listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

(V) The proposed action is known or expected to significantly affect environmentally important natural resource areas such as wetlands, floodplains, significant agricultural lands, aquifer recharge zones, coastal zones, barrier islands, wild and scenic rivers, and significant fish or wildlife habitat.

(VI) The proposed action is known or expected to cause significant adverse air quality effects.

(VII) The proposed action is known or expected to have a significant effect on the

pattern and type of land use (industrial, commercial, agricultural, recreational, residential) or growth and distribution of population including altering the character of existing residential areas, or may not be consistent with state or local government, or federally-recognized Indian tribe approved land use plans or federal land management plans.

(VIII) The proposed action is known or expected to cause significant public controversy about a potential environmental impact of the proposed action.

(IX) The proposed action is known or expected to be associated with providing financial assistance to a federal agency through an interagency agreement for a project that is known or expected to have potentially significant environmental

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(X) The proposed action is known or expected to conflict with federal, state or local government, or federally-recognized Indian tribe environmental, resource- protection, or land-use laws or regulations.

Check if the project **will not** involve any of the extraordinary circumstances described above.

The information provided above is true and comprehensive as to the project described. All known and pertinent information about the project, location and potential environmental impacts has been provided. There will be no new discharge or relocation of an existing discharge, no substantial increase in the volume or loading of pollutants. There will be no expansion of system capacity for a population of greater than 30 percent, the construction of facilities that are known or expected will be cost-effective and not likely to cause significant public controversy. The project will not involve any of the extraordinary circumstances described above. The final decision for a categorical exclusion will be determined by OWRB-CWSRF staff.

**Project Owner**

Signature:

Date:

Printed Name:

Phone Number:

Title:

Email:

Address: