

Health Resources and Services Administration

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)

for
West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine
Fredric W. Smith Science Building
400 Lee Street North Lewisburg, WV 24901

Grant Number CE1HS54324

BACKGROUND

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) provides funding through the FY 2024 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024 (P.L. 118-42) for congressionally directed spending projects that relate to the construction and renovation (including equipment) of health care and other facilities. This selected activity will be supported through funding awarded by HRSA.

SELECTED ACTION

The applicant, West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine, proposes to use HRSA funding for the construction of an addition and upgrades to the approximately 28,500 square foot Science Building that is part of the WVSOM 43-acre campus located at 400 Lee Street North, Lewisburg, Greenbrier County, WV.

The grant Recipient submitted an Environmental Assessment (EA) that documents impact of the selected action. This EA is incorporated by reference into this FONSI.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

Based on the evaluation of environmental impacts detailed in the EA, a Finding of No Significant Impact is warranted for the construction activities at the Frederic W. Smith Science Building. The Selected Action introduces no substantial long- term changes to the existing environmental baseline. As a result of this specific project context, it is concluded that all impacts to environmental resources are de minimis. The Selected Action maintains the status quo without introducing new or additional environmental stressors.

MITIGATIONS [OR CONSTRUCTION BMPS]

This project will follow best management practices for construction.

CONCLUSION

HRSA hereby adopts the EA prepared by the applicant for the selected action described above. After reviewing the assessment and the supporting materials provided by the award recipient, HRSA finds that the assessment properly documents the proposal's status of compliance with the environmental laws and requirements listed therein.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing NEPA (40 CFR Parts 1500 through 1508) and the HHS General Administration Manual Part 30 Environmental Protection (February 25, 2000), HRSA has determined that the selected action will have no significant adverse impact on the quality of the human environment. As a result of this FONSI, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared.

Approval:

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Date