UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office Of Surface Mining Reclamation And Enforcement
ABANDONED MINE LANDS
CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION CERTIFICATION AND DETERMINATION

State: Kentucky
PA: KY 4034 SGA
Project Name: Ricky Newsome High Priority AML Reclamation Project
Project Description: Stabilize a landslide and install drainage controls.

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<td>Does the project type specifically require an EA in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, as specified in Item I of the attached instructions?</td>
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<td>Will the project have any of the following:</td>
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A significant adverse effect on public health or safety? No [x] Yes [ ]

An adverse effect on any of the following unique geographic characteristics? If 'yes,' check the ones that apply:

- [ ] Parks (state, local or National)
- [ ] Ecologically Significant or Critical Areas
- [ ] Prime Farmlands
- [ ] Recreation or Refuge Lands
- [ ] Wilderness Areas
- [ ] Wild or Scenic Rivers
- [ ] Wetlands
- [ ] Floodplains
- [ ] Sole or Principal Drinking Water Aquifers

Highly controversial environmental effects? No [x] Yes [ ]

Highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or unique or unknown environmental risks? No [x] Yes [ ]

A precedent for future action or a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects? No [x] Yes [ ]

Directly related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant environmental effects? No [x] Yes [ ]

Adverse effects on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places? No [x] Yes [ ]

Adverse effects on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have adverse effects on designated Critical Habitat for these species? No [x] Yes [ ]
Require compliance with Executive Order 11988 (Floodplain Management), Executive Order 11990 (Wetlands Protection) or The Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act?  No [x]  Yes [ ]

Threaten to violate a Federal, State, Tribal or local law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?  No [x]  Yes [ ]

III. RESOURCE IMPACT EXCEPTIONS

Are there any unresolved issues or adverse effects requiring specialized mitigation for any of the following resources? If yes, check the ones that apply.  No [x]  Yes [ ]

[ ] Topography  [ ] Historic and Cultural
[ ] Land Use (includes prime farmland)  [ ] Recreation
[ ] Soils  [ ] Air Quality
[ ] Vegetation (includes wetlands)  [ ] Noise
[ ] Hydrology  [ ] Other (includes socio-economics)
[ ] Fish and Wildlife

IV. ATTACH CONSULTATION LETTERS AND A LOCATION MAP

V. RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATION

Signature: Robert F. Scott  Date: 10/8/12

Name and Title: Robert F. Scott, Director
Division of Abandoned Mine Lands

VI. OSM DETERMINATION

[ ] This project conforms with the exclusion criteria in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, and is excluded from further NEPA compliance.

[ ] This project does not conform with the exclusion criteria in 516 DM 6, Appendix 8, and requires an environmental assessment.

Signature: Joseph L. Blackburn  Date: 10/10/2012

Name and Title: Joseph L. Blackburn, Field Office Director