The U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has determined through experience that the majority of the typical recurring actions either conducted directly or proposed for funding by FEMA, proposed for funding, or conducted through a mission-assignment to another federal agency, and for which an Environmental Assessment (EA) is the appropriate level of NEPA documentation, can be grouped by type of activity or location. These groups of activities can be evaluated in a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA).

These groups of activities encompass the following:
- Constructing, modifying, or relocating structures, buildings, and infrastructure, including construction of temporary facilities, restoration of disaster-damaged facilities, and mitigation activities such as to be resistant to damages from fire, seismic events, high winds, or floods;
- Modifying waterways, waterway crossings, and coastal features, including temporary facilities, restored facilities, and hazard mitigation measures;
- Managing vegetation to reduce the risk of damage from flooding and wildfires;
- Installing warning and surveillance equipment and systems, emergency generators, and communications infrastructure.

If an action is expected to result in impacts not described in the PEA, result in impacts greater in magnitude, extent, or duration than those described in the PEA, or require additional environmental mitigation measures than those described in the PEA, a Supplemental Environmental Assessment would be prepared.

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, FEMA has prepared a Programmatic Environmental Assessment for Recurring Actions in Arizona, California, and Nevada (December 2014) to evaluate the impacts of typical FEMA activities in Arizona, California, and Nevada on the environment. The PEA is available in FEMA’s Resource and Document Library: http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/99470.

A public notice announcing the availability of the PEA was posted on FEMA’s Resource and Document Library and circulated to potentially interested government agencies. No comments on the PEA were received during the 30-day comment period.

Based upon the information contained in the PEA, a review of the applicable environmental laws, and compliance with FEMA’s regulations in 44 CFR Part 10 (Environmental Considerations), the following is concluded:

A Finding of No Significant Impact. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement will not be prepared. For more information, contact Alessandro Amaglio, Regional Environmental Officer, at (510) 627-7284.