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Categorical Exclusion Form

Project: Village Grill Water Heater Installation (YH 2018)

PEPC Project Number: 80654

Description of Action (Project Description):

This project proposes to install two new on-demand tank-less water heaters to service the Village Grill.

JUSTIFICATION Yosemite Hospitality (YH) would like to separate the domestic hot water supplying the visitor restrooms from the supply for the dish washing at the Village Grill. The existing tank water heater cannot meet the demand and does not maintain sufficient temperatures for warewashing. This has become a health department issue, and an action item that YH needs to correct for the CDPH inspections. The machines are not chemically rinsing at the proper temperature on a consistent basis.

SCOPE OF WORK YH proposes to hang two on-demand tankless water heaters on the Grill exterior in the outdoor employee break area. Exterior installation will allow the units to vent properly while minimizing penetrations to the roof eaves of the historic building. The units would be enclosed in a cabinet with siding and paint to match the building in this area. The frame will be built out of 2 x 4 inch pressure treated wood planks, the siding to be used will be 1 x 6 inch tongue and groove siding to match the existing structure. The door hinges will be stainless steel piano type. The unit will be painted to match the existing structure. Roofing of the cabinet will be composite shingle, matching color and materials with the building roof. The cabinet would measure approximately 5 ½ -feet wide by 7 ¼ -feet tall by 28-inches deep. The depth of the cabinet may be further minimized based on park comments and code compliance. The units would exclusively supply the industrial dish washing equipment in the Village Grill.

These heaters would be connected in series requiring two 1.5-inch penetrations through the wall for ¾" copper pipes and associated insulation. The two lines would be the incoming cold water to be heated and then the high temp water being supplied to the dishwasher. Electrical and propane currently exist on the exterior eave line of the building.

Cabinets will not require punching through for ventilation in the roof or eaves. There is no need for additional screening as this loading dock back-of-house area is screened from public view by an ice bunker, recycling center building, mature deciduous trees, and propane tanks with fenced screening.

CE Citation: C.4 Routine maintenance and repairs to cultural resource sites, structures, utilities and grounds under an approved Historic Structures Preservation Guide or Cyclic Maintenance Guide; or if the action would not adversely affect the cultural resource.

CE Justification:

Decision: I find that the action fits within the categorical exclusion above. Therefore, I am categorically excluding the described project from further NEPA analysis. No extraordinary circumstances apply.

Signature Superintendent: Michael T. Reynolds **Date:** 5/13/2019
Michael T. Reynolds

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Extraordinary Circumstances:

If implemented, would the proposal...	Yes/No	Notes
A. Have significant impacts on public health or safety?	No	
B. Have significant impacts on such natural resources and unique geographic characteristics as historic or cultural resources; park, recreation, or refuge lands; wilderness areas; wild or scenic rivers; national natural landmarks; sole or principal drinking water aquifers; prime farmlands; wetlands (Executive Order 11990); floodplains (Executive Order 11988); national monuments; migratory birds; and other ecologically significant or critical areas?	No	
C. Have highly controversial environmental effects or involve unresolved conflicts concerning alternative uses of available resources (NEPA section 102(2)(E))?	No	
D. Have highly uncertain and potentially significant environmental effects or involve unique or unknown environmental risks?	No	
E. Establish a precedent for future action or represent a decision in principle about future actions with potentially significant environmental effects?	No	
F. Have a direct relationship to other actions with individually insignificant, but cumulatively significant, environmental effects?	No	
G. Have significant impacts on properties listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, as determined by either the bureau or office?	No	
H. Have significant impacts on species listed or proposed to be listed on the List of Endangered or Threatened Species, or have significant impacts on designated Critical Habitat for these species?	No	
I. Violate a federal, state, local or tribal law or requirement imposed for the protection of the environment?	No	
J. Have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on low income or minority populations (EO 12898)?	No	
K. Limit access to and ceremonial use of Indian sacred sites on federal lands by Indian religious practitioners or adversely affect the physical integrity of such sacred sites (EO 13007)?	No	
L. Contribute to the introduction, continued existence, or spread of noxious weeds or non-native invasive species known to occur in the area or actions that may promote the introduction, growth, or expansion of the range of such species (Federal Noxious Weed Control Act and Executive Order 13112)?	No	



ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING FORM (ESF)

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A. PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title:	Village Grill Water Heater Installation (YH 2018)
PEPC Project Number:	80654
Project Type:	Other Maintenance Activities (MNT)
Project Leader:	Josh Keyes

B. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

See Categorical Exclusion form.

C. RESOURCE IMPACTS TO CONSIDER:

Resource	Potential for Impact	Potential Issues & Impacts
Air Air Quality	None	
Biological Nonnative or Exotic Species	None	
Biological Species of Special Concern or Their Habitat	None	
Biological Vegetation	None	
Biological Wildlife and/or Wildlife Habitat including terrestrial and aquatic species	None	
Cultural Archeological Resources	None	

Cultural Cultural Landscapes <i>Yosemite Valley Historic District</i>	Potential	Issue: Addition of a non-historic cabinet to a historic Mission-66 building within a historic district Impact: The size of the cabinet has been minimized. The design of the cabinet has been developed to be minimally intrusive to the building and the district.
Cultural Ethnographic Resources	None	
Cultural Museum Collections	None	
Cultural Prehistoric/historic structures	None	
Geological Geologic Features	None	
Geological Geologic Processes	None	
Lightscares Lightscares	None	
Other Human Health and Safety <i>Visitor and Staff Safety</i>	Potential	Issue: Visitor and Staff safety during construction Impact: Work shall be scheduled to avoid related delays during peak visitation times. The contractor shall submit a safety plan to the Park Safety Officer prior to commencement of work.
Other Operational <i>Long-Term Operational and Maintenance Costs</i>	Potential	Issue: Addition of a component may add to operational and maintenance costs Impact: Sustainable design principles shall be used that meet all applicable Uniform Building Codes, National Fire Protection Association codes, and Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements.
Other Other		
Socioeconomic Land Use	None	
Socioeconomic Minority and low- income populations, size, migration patterns, etc.	None	
Socioeconomic Socioeconomic	None	

Soundscapes Soundscapes	None	
Viewsheds Viewsheds <i>Visual Impact to Historic Cultural Landscape</i>	Potential	Issue: Addition of a non-historic feature within a historic cultural landscape Impact: The size of the cabinet has been minimized. The design of the cabinet has been developed to be minimally intrusive to the building and the district.
Visitor Use and Experience Recreation Resources	None	
Visitor Use and Experience Visitor Use and Experience <i>Visitor Experience in and Around the Village Grill</i>	Potential	Issue: Construction noise, staging, and other activities may impact visitor use and experience Impact: To the extent practical, work shall be scheduled to avoid construction activity and construction related delays during peak visitation times. No holiday or night work shall be allowed. Weekend work (Friday through Saturday) shall not be allowed unless authorized in writing by the Superintendent.
Water Floodplains	None	
Water Marine or Estuarine Resources	None	
Water Water Quality or Quantity	None	
Water Wetlands	None	
Water Wild and Scenic River	None	
Wilderness Wilderness	None	