The proposed action to sell 120 tons of decorative stone is designated a categorical exclusion in 516 DM 6 appendix 5.4 F(10). The proposal has been screened and does not meet the criteria for exception under 516 DM 2.3A(3): 1. Health and Safety; 2. Unique Resources; 3. Controversial; 4. Risks; 5. Precedent; 6. Cumulative; 7. Cultural and Historical; 8. Threatened or Endangered Species; 9. Violate Law. Therefore, no further environmental analysis is required.

/s/ Larry Frazier  
6/7/00  
for Teresa A. Raml  
Date  
Field Manager
Klamath Falls Resource Area
Optional Plan Conformance Review/NEPA Compliance Record
and/or Categorical Exclusion Review

Klamath Falls Resource Area Project File Number - OR 55223

Proposed Action Title/Type: decorative stone permit

Location of Proposed Action: T. 39 S., R. 14 E. Sec. 12 NW¼SE¼, E½SW¼; Section 13 E½NE½; T. 40 S., R. 14½ E. Section 1 S½SW¼; Section 12 NW½NW¼.

Description of Proposed Action: Applicant wishes to purchase and remove 120 tons of decorative stone. Removal will be by hand picking stone and placing it into the bucket of a front end loader.

Applicant (if any): Mt. Stone Co.
PO Box 237
Tehama, CA 96090

PART 1: PLAN CONFORMANCE REVIEW. This proposed action is subject to the following land use plan:

The proposed action has been reviewed for conformance with this plan (43 CFR 1610.5, BLM MS 1617.3).

Signature of Reviewers: /s/ Tom Cottingham
Realty Specialist

Remarks: Plan addresses saleable mineral on pages 59 and 60 of the above referenced document.

PART 2: NEPA REVIEW

A. Categorical exclusion review. This proposed action qualifies as a categorical exclusion under 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4 F(10). It has been reviewed to determine if any of the exceptions described in 516 DM 2, Appendix 2, apply.

Signature of Reviewers: /s/ Tom Cottingham
Realty Specialist

B. Existing EA/EIS review. This proposed action is addressed in the following existing BLM EA/EIS:
Name of Document: Klamath Falls Resource Area Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan and Rangeland Program Summary (KFRA ROD/RMP/RPS)
Date Approved: June 1995

This EA/EIS has been reviewed against the following criteria to determine if it covers the proposed action:

C The proposed action is a feature of, or essentially the same as, the alternative selected and analyzed in the existing document.

C A reasonable range of alternatives was analyzed in the existing document.

C There has been no significant change in circumstances or significant new information germane to the proposed action.

C The methodology/analytical approach previously used is appropriate for the proposed action.

C The direct and indirect impacts of the proposed action are not significantly different from those identified in the existing document.

C The proposed action would not change the previous analysis of cumulative impacts.

C Public involvement in the previous analysis is appropriate coverage for the proposed action.
Remarks: References to the proposed action are found on the following pages of the KFRA ROD/RMP/RPS:

**Part 3. Recommendation/Rationale**

**Recommendation:** I recommend that Mt. Stone Co. be offered a mineral material sale contract for 120 tons of decorative stone. The public lands from which the stone would be removed are described as follows: T. 39 S., R. 14 E. Sec. 12 NW¼SE¼, E½SW¼; Section 13 E½NE½; T. 40 S., R. 14½ E. Section 1 S½SW¼; Section 12 NW¼NW¼. The stone would be selected and placed into a front end loader by hand. The grant should be made under the authority of the Minerals Management Act of July 31, 1947, as amended (30 U.S.C. 601, 602). The grant should also be subject to the mitigations set forth in the application.

**Rationale for Recommendation:** The proposed action meets the criteria for categorical exclusion in 516 DM 6, Appendix 5.4 F(10), and none of the exceptions in 516 DM 2 Appendix 2, apply. Further, the action is in conformance with the Klamath Falls Resource Area Resource Management Plan, Approved June 1995.

/s/ **Tom Cottingham**
Realty Specialist  Date 6/7/00

**PART 4. DECISION** I have reviewed this plan conformance and NEPA compliance record and have determined that the proposed project is in conformance with the approved land use plan and that no further environmental analysis is required. It is my decision to implement the project, as described, with the mitigation measures identified below.

**Mitigation Measures/Other Remarks:**

The contract will be issued with the standard operating procedures.

/s/ **Larry Frazier**
Authorized Official  Date: 6/7/00

for: Teresa A. Raml
Field Manager
T 39 S R 14 E Sec 12, NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, E 1/2 of SW 1/4
T 39 S R14 E Sec 13, E 1/2 of NE 1/4