

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)

Department of Veterans Affairs W. G. (Bill) Hefner VA Medical Center E-85 Fueling Station Installation Salisbury NC

Introduction:

The US Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) proposes a upgrade to the W.G. (Bill) Hefner VA Medical located in Salisbury, NC. The Salisbury Facility has issued a Finding Of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed contract of constructing and installing an E-85 fueling station on the facility grounds. The FONSI has been prepared as a result of an Environmental Assessment (EA) accomplished in accordance with the regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Privacy Act (NEPA) Section 1058.13. Additional compliance to 38 CFR, Part 26 (Environmental Effects of the Department of Veterans Affairs Actions) is achieved through the issuance of this FONSI.

The proposed project is a turn-key project for an above ground, double walled E-85 fueling station. The capacity of the E-85 fueling station is 5,000 gallons.

To meet the project need as described above, the fueling station construction and installation project was developed into three phases: Design, Installation and Commissioning.

Project Objectives:

The project objectives are to meet the goals of the Energy Plan Act of 2005 by replacing and reducing existing energy demands for all federal facilities with renewable energy.


Summary of Analysis:

Due to the location, nature and its foreseen limited disturbance this project will have no significant impact. The location of the E-85 Tank will not disturb, up-root, or cause any hazard to the environment.

The W.G. (Bill) Hefner VA Medical Center has conducted due diligence in meeting NEPA requirements and addressing public concern.

Decision:

Based on the information contained in the Environmental Assessment (EA) by Versar Inc. and the analysis of the information delivered within this document regarding the proposed project, it has been decided the project would have no significant impacts on the environment as well as human safety. Preparation of an environmental impact statement is not required and the VA is hereby issuing this finalized FONSI in regulatory compliance.



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