



**South Carolina Department of Transportation**  
On Behalf of the Federal Highway Administration - South Carolina Division Office



PROCESSING FORM FOR PROGRAMMATIC CATEGORICAL EXCLUSIONS  
NON MAJOR FEDERAL ACTIONS

State File #	DR-4241	Fed Project #	ER SC16-1	Project ID	P029517	Route	US 301	County	Clarendon
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**Programmatic Type: CE-B**

**Project Name/Description**

US 301 over Black River Swamp experienced damage to four bridges during the 2015 flood event. Based on the close proximity of the four bridges, the roadway approaches will be paved continuously between the four bridges.

The replacement bridges will be constructed with the following commitments:

Bridges will be replaced on existing location.

Bridges will be the same length or longer than existing bridge.

Bridges will be the same height or higher than existing bridge.

USACE 404 Permit will be the responsibility of the SCDOT Environmental Services Office.

**Categorical Exclusion Type B (Conditional Programmatic)**

Projects of the type listed below would not automatically fall under the same programmatic clearance as the CE Type A. The regulations in 23 CFR Part 771.117(d) list additional types of projects which can meet the CE criteria only after FHWA approval. Several of these projects have been approved to be processed programmatically by FHWA-SC if certain conditions are met. These types are listed below.

Check appropriate project type:

Safety projects including but not limited to: placement of traffic barrier; energy attenuators; grading of slopes or gore areas to eliminate the need for guardrail, improve the clear zone, improve curves, or improve sight distance/removal of fixed objects such as boulders or trees; lighting; glare screens; delineators; and safety modification of drainage structures.

Pavement resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, and reconstruction projects including related shoulder and ditch work.

Traffic operation type projects including but not limited to: freeway surveillance and control systems; intersection channelization; turn lanes, acceleration or deceleration lanes; construction, modification or elimination of curbs, raised dividers or sidewalks; and widening less than a single lane width.

Bridge and culvert rehabilitation work and bridge replacement at the same location.

CE-B Processing Form Continued:

To be processed as a Categorical Exclusion Type B (CE-B) the following conditions must be met in addition to the General Criteria (as outlined in the CE Programmatic Agreement (PA) between FHWA-SC and SCDOT). Place a "X" in the appropriate box below. If the answer is "Yes" to any of the below criteria, a Documented Categorical Exclusion (CE-C) must be prepared and forwarded to FHWA for approval.

1.	The acquisition of more than minor amounts of temporary or permanent strips of right-of-way and the acquisition will not require any residential or business relocations.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
2.	Use of Section 4(f) or 6(f) properties.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
3.	An adverse effect determination under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
4.	Individual U.S. Coast Guard Permits.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
5.	Individual Corps of Engineer Permits, or an impact greater than three (3) acres of wetlands.  a. Wetland impacts (acres): <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6.	Impacts to planned growth or land use, or significant impacts on travel patterns.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
7.	Work encroaching in a regulatory floodway, adversely affecting the base floodplain, or potentially adversely affecting a National Wild and Scenic River.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
8.	Changes in access control.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
9.	Any known or potential major hazardous waste sites within the right-of-way.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

The above described project has been reviewed based on the information contained in the engineer's Project Planning Report (PPR), and it has been determined that the project meets the criteria set forth in the Programmatic Categorical Exclusion Agreement signed by FHWA and SCDOT. It is understood that any additions/deletions to the project may void environmentally processing the project as presently classified; consequently, any engineering changes must be brought to the attention of SCDOT Environmental Services immediately. The project's CE classification should be shown in the remarks section on the Letter of Request for Authorization Form (PS Form 39) for right-of-way and/or construction for concurrence by FHWA. A copy of this form is included in the project file and one (1) copy has been provided to FHWA.

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Primavera:  Yes  No