

NEPA Project Experience – Joe Trnka, AICP, CEP

Draft Environmental Impact Statement and Draft Section 4(f) Statement, Proposed Southwest Transitway Light Rail Transit, Eden Prairie to Minneapolis, Minnesota.

In 2010 and 2011, Mr. Trnka assisted in the preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and associated Section 4(f) Statement for the proposed project. The NEPA document was prepared by the project applicant, Hennepin County, under the direction of the Federal Transit Administration. As an Interdisciplinary Team Member, he was responsible for the preparation of the cultural resources section and the parks and recreation section of the DEIS. He was also responsible for the Section 4(f) evaluation for the project.

Final Environmental Impact Statement and Final Section 4(f) Statement, Proposed Central Corridor Light Rail Transit, Minneapolis to St. Paul, Minnesota. 2009.

In 2008 and 2009, Mr. Trnka assisted in the preparation of the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement and its associated Draft Section 4(f) Statement for the proposed project. He also assisted in the preparation of the Final versions of both documents. The NEPA document was prepared by the project applicant, Metropolitan Council, under the direction of the Federal Transit Administration. As an Interdisciplinary Team Member, he was responsible for the preparation of the cultural resources section and the parks and recreation section of the SDEIS and FEIS.

Environmental Impact Statement and Section 4(f) Statement, Proposed Improvements to I-29 Corridor in Sioux City, Iowa.

In 2005 and 2006, Mr. Trnka participated as an Interdisciplinary Team Member in the preparation of the cultural resources section of the EIS and the associated Section 4(f) Evaluation for the proposed project. The documents were prepared for the Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) and the Iowa Division Office of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

Environmental Assessment and Section 4(f) Statement, Proposed Interchange Improvements Along I-35, Ankeny, Iowa.

In 2005 and 2006, Mr. Trnka participated as an Interdisciplinary Team Member in the preparation of the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He was also responsible for the Section 4(f) Evaluation for the proposed project. He coordinated the NEPA document through internal, City of Ankeny, Iowa DOT, and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment and Section 4(f) Statement, Proposed Improvements to Collins Road (Highway 100), Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

In 2004 and 2005, Mr. Trnka participated as an Interdisciplinary Team Member in the preparation of the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He was also responsible for the Section 4(f) Evaluation and the historic building historic building survey special study. Coordinated the NEPA document through internal, City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa DOT, and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment of the Proposed Construction of Southwest Connector, West Des Moines, Iowa.

In 2004 and 2005, Mr. Trnka participated as an Interdisciplinary Team Member in the preparation of the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He also wrote sections of the overall document and coordinated it through internal, City of West Des Moines, Iowa DOT, and the FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment of Proposed Interchange Improvements, I-80/1st Avenue, Coralville, Iowa.

In 2005 and 2006, Mr. Trnka participated as an Interdisciplinary Team Member in the preparation of the cultural resources, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He also prepared portions of the overall document and coordinated it through internal, City of Coralville, Iowa DOT, and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Partial Funding of the Environmental Project, Coralville, Johnson County, Iowa.

In 2004 and 2005, Mr. Trnka participated as the NEPA Project Manager and an Interdisciplinary Team Member for the preparation of the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, exotic species, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He wrote major sections of the overall document, completed the historic building survey special study, and coordinated the NEPA document through internal and Department of Energy review processes.

Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact, Replacement of the Iowa 2 Bridge Across the Des Moines River, Farmington, Iowa.

In 2004, Mr. Trnka participated as the NEPA Project Manager and an Interdisciplinary Team Member responsible for the research and writing of the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He also coordinated the NEPA document and subsequent Finding of No Significant Impact through the Iowa DOT and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment and Section 4(f) Statement, Iowa City Municipal Airport, Runway Extension & Airport Improvements, Iowa City, Iowa.

In 2002, Mr. Trnka participated as the NEPA Project Manager and an Interdisciplinary Team Member for the project. He conducted field research and prepared the Section 4(f) evaluation and wrote the cultural resources, wetlands, socioeconomic, environmental justice, and listed species sections of the NEPA document. He also completed the wetland delineation and historic building survey special studies. He coordinated the NEPA document through the internal and Federal Aviation Administration review processes.

Environmental Assessment for U.S. 34, Danville Bypass, Des Moines County, Iowa.

In 2002, Mr. Trnka participated as the NEPA Project Manager and an Interdisciplinary Team Member for the project. He conducted field research and wrote the socioeconomic, environmental justice and cultural resources sections of NEPA document. He demonstrated that the project did not trigger the Section 4(f) process despite the presence of nearby 4(f) protected properties. He also coordinated the NEPA document through the internal, Iowa DOT, and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment for U.S. 61, Spot Improvements in Burlington, Des Moines County, Iowa

In 2002, Mr. Trnka participated as the NEPA Project Manager and an Interdisciplinary Team Member for the project. He conducted field research and wrote the socioeconomic, environmental justice and cultural resources sections of the NEPA document. He demonstrated that the project did not trigger the Section 4(f) process despite the presence of nearby 4(f) protected properties. He also coordinated NEPA document through the internal, Iowa DOT, and FHWA review processes.

Environmental Assessment of the Relocation of Two Marine Corps Reserve Helicopter Squadrons to Edwards AFB

In 1998, as the Environmental Lead for the Environmental Impact Analysis Group at Edwards AFB, he directed the preparation of the NEPA document for the proposed relocation of two squadrons of helicopters to Edwards AFB. He conducted field research and wrote the Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. He also coordinated the NEPA document through the internal, Air Force, Navy, and Marine Corps review processes as well as coordinating the review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment of the Construction of a Community Health Clinic at Edwards AFB

In 1998, as the Environmental Lead for the Environmental Impact Analysis Group at Edwards AFB, he directed the preparation of the NEPA document for the proposed construction of a community health clinic at Edwards AFB. He conducted field research and wrote the Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. He also coordinated the NEPA document through the internal and Air Force review processes as well as coordinating the review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment of Flight Testing the Joint Stand-Off Weapon on the B-2A

In 1998, as the Environmental Lead for the Environmental Impact Analysis Group at Edwards AFB, he directed the preparation of the NEPA document for the flight testing of the Joint Stand-Off Weapon on the B-2A Spirit bomber at Edwards AFB and NWS China Lake. He conducted field research and wrote the Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. He also coordinated the NEPA document through the internal and Air Force review processes as well as coordinating the review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment of Flight Testing the Joint Stand-Off Weapon on the B-52

In 1998, as the Environmental Lead for the Environmental Impact Analysis Group at Edwards AFB, he directed the preparation of the NEPA document for the flight testing of the Joint Stand-Off Weapon on the B-52 Stratofortress bomber at Edwards AFB and NWS China Lake. He conducted field research and wrote the Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. He also coordinated the NEPA document through the internal and Air Force review processes as well as coordinating the review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment for the Deactivation of Detachment 1, Air Combat Command, Edwards AFB

1998. Environmental Impact Analysis Group Manager. Directed overall preparation of NEPA document. Conducted field research and wrote Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. Coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI. Coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment of the Annual "Return to Muroc" Event

1998. Environmental Impact Analysis Group Manager. Directed overall preparation of NEPA document. Conducted field research and wrote Land Use & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. Coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI. Coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment for the Advanced Concept Technology Demonstration Phase of the Miniature Air-Launched Decoy

1998. Environmental Impact Analysis Group Manager. Directed overall preparation of NEPA document. Conducted field research and wrote Airspace, Land Use, & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. Coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI. Coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment for the Privatization of the Electrical Distribution System, Edwards AFB

1999 Environmental Impact Analysis Group Manager. Directed overall preparation of NEPA document. Conducted field research and wrote Land Use & Cultural Resources sections of the NEPA document. Coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI. Coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Castle AFB, California

1996 Project Manager. Responsible for project budget and timeline. Completed several special study documents in support of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Responsible for NEPA document development, review, coordination, and distribution. Prepared responses to public review comments. Wrote draft ROD.

Programmatic Environmental Assessment of the Air-Drop Missile System.

1998 Project Manager. Responsible for project budget and timeline. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Responsible for NEPA document development, review, coordination, and distribution. Wrote draft FONSI.

Sensitivity Review of the Final Environmental Impact Statement prepared for the disposal and reuse of Homestead AFB, Florida.

1998 Co-Project Manager. Conducted field research and prepared noise, cultural resources, and airspace sections of document. Coordinated internal and Air Force review of document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Reese AFB, Texas

1997. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Completed two cultural resources special studies conducted in support of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise and airspace subcontractors. Prepared cultural resources section and provided peer review of EIS.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Loring AFB, Maine

1997. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Completed cultural resources special study conducted in support of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Prepared cultural resources section and provided peer review of EIS.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Carswell AFB, Texas

1995. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Newark AFB, Ohio

1996. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Completed cultural resources special study conducted in support of NEPA document. Prepared cultural resources section of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of Richards-Gebaur AFB, Missouri

1995. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Revised cultural resources section of NEPA document. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Disposal and Reuse of K. I. Sawyer AFB, Michigan

1996. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Prepared airspace and cultural resources sections of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise and air quality subcontractors. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the Conversion and Reuse of March AFB, California

1997. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Completed cultural resources special study conducted in support of NEPA document. Prepared cultural resources section of NEPA document. Provided guidance to noise, airspace, and air quality subcontractors. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Assessment for the Operational Test & Evaluation of the F-22 Advanced Tactical Fighter, Nellis AFB, Nevada

1997. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Prepared airspace, noise, and cultural resource sections of NEPA document. Provided detailed information on F-22 for incorporation into the Description of Proposed Action and Alternatives section of document.

Environmental Assessment for the Disposal and Reuse of Gentile Air Force Station, Ohio

1996. Prepared cultural resources section and provided peer review of NEPA document.

Environmental Assessment for the Disposal and Reuse of Roslyn Air National Guard Station, Long Island, New York

1996. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Completed cultural resources special study conducted in support of NEPA document. Prepared cultural resources section of NEPA document. Provided peer review of document.

Environmental Assessment for the Closure of Point Arena Air Force Station, California

1996. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Prepared cultural resources section and provided peer review of NEPA document.

Environmental Impact Statement for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration's Sounding Rocket Program

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Conducted field research in Fairbanks, Alaska, and wrote several sections of the EIS.

Environmental Assessment of the Installation of 18- and 20-inch Water Pipeline, Edwards AFB

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote NEPA document, coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI, coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment for the Construction and Operation of a Corrosion Control Facility at Edwards AFB

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote NEPA document, coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI, coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment for the Relocation of the 4950th Test Wing to Edwards AFB

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote much of the NEPA document, coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI, coordinated review and signature of FONSI.

Environmental Assessment and Initial Study for an Integrated Waste Handling Facility at Edwards AFB

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote joint NEPA/CEQA document, coordinated document through internal and Air Force review process. Wrote FONSI/Negative Declaration, coordinated review and signature of FONSI/Negative Declaration.

Environmental Assessment for the Test-Firing of Liquid-Fueled Rocket Engines at Test Stand 1-A, Phillips Laboratory

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote majority of NEPA document, coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process.

Environmental Assessment for the Construction of a New Commissary Complex at Edwards AFB

1992. Interdisciplinary Team Leader. Conducted field research and wrote majority of NEPA document, coordinated NEPA document through internal and Air Force review process.

Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement for State Route 56 East

1990. Interdisciplinary Team Member. Conducted field research and wrote sections of the EIR/EIS based on special study inputs.