What makes a Federal Action?

Does the Federal Government do any of these?

Provide funding for the project

Authorize the project actions

Carry out or implement the project actions

Requirements if your action has a Federal Nexus

- NEPA Review
- Review for impacts to biological resources protected by various federal laws

  Endangered Species Act (Section 7), Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA), Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act

- Review for impacts to cultural resources protected by various federal laws

  National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Section 106)

Needs for efficient biological/cultural review

- Detailed project description (what, how, when, why?)
  - Project purpose, methods, equipment used, timeline, etc.
- KML of project area
- Maps showing locations of project developments
- Any biological/cultural surveys/reports

Summary

- Determine if there is a Federal Nexus
- Consolidate project info – talk to us early!
- BIA makes impact determination, any necessary consultation
- Once consultation and NEPA are complete, BIA approves

Thank you!

Questions?