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The U.S. Department of the Interior's (DOI) procedures for complying with and implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) are codified at 43 CFR Part 46. The Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) procedures for complying with and implementing NEPA, consistent with DOI procedures, appear in Chapter 11 of Part 516 of the Departmental Manual (516 DM 11). The BLM's NEPA Handbook (H-1790-1) provides additional guidance on these subjects.

In accordance with Secretary's Order 3356, Hunting, Fishing, Recreational Shooting, and Wildlife Conservation Opportunities and Coordination with States, Tribes and Territories (dated September 15, 2017), this Departmental Manual (DM) Release updates 516 DM 11 by adding a categorical exclusion for the management of encroaching pinyon pine and juniper trees for the benefit of mule deer and sage-grouse habitats.

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