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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

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Capitol Station
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Gentlemen:

Attached, for your information, are two (2) copies of the Agency Impact Determination for the a-bove project, as approved by the Federal Highway Administration.

Very truly yours,

H. J. ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

By Stephen C. Kologi
Stephen C. Kologi, P. E., Chief
Preconstruction Bureau

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Enclosures

cc: K. F. Skoog

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U. S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
501 North Fee Street
Helena, Montana 59601

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your July 3, 1975 comments on our June 11, 1975 Agency Impact Determination for the subject project. This is to submit our revisions to that document and to request your concurrence that neither an Environmental Impact Statement nor a Negative Declaration is required for the subject project and that this Agency Impact Determination is appropriate.

This project is located on U. S. 287 (F.A.P. Route 29, Montana 41) and consists of the safety improvement of fourteen separate bridge sites from mile post 50.3 to mile post 57.1. The attached map shows the location of the sites. The work will consist of the removal of treated timber trestles and replacement with metal culverts. Approach fills and minor roadwork will be done to complete the project.

The project is not a major action and it is our opinion that the effect on the environment will be insignificant. There will be no alteration of land use or traffic flow patterns. The major impact of the project will be to provide a safer transportation facility for the traveling public.

The project will not have any air quality impact and noise standards are not applicable to this type of work. Water pollution will be kept to a minimum by contractor adherence to all applicable State and National laws pertaining to this matter. The Montana Department of Highways Standard Specifications also define the methods to be used to prevent air and water pollution.

Inasmuch as one of the fourteen bridge sites involves work associated with a "live stream," the Montana Department of Fish and Game was notified concerning the effect the work might have on this stream (see attachments). Their determination was to approve the project as presently planned (see attachment).

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No acquisition of new right-of-way is anticipated for this project.

We also at this time request your approval to waive the requirements for public hearings and location and design approval.

Very truly yours,

H. J. ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

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Attachment

cc: J. R. Beckert
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