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DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

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Sanders County
Off-System Roads
Priority No. 1

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Environmental Quality Council
Capitol Station
Helena, Montana 59601

Gentlemen:

Attached, for your information, are two (2) copies of the Agency Impact Determination for the above 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

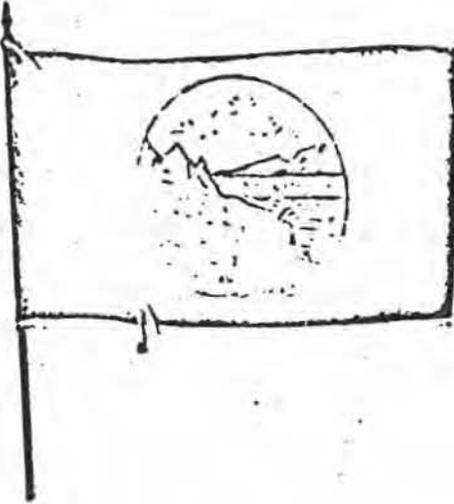
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Sanders County
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Reply Requested by
September 12, 1975

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

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Gentlemen:

This is 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.

The attached maps show the location of the proposed work, which will consist of the construction of three bridges at three different locations. COS No. 1 is the construction of a new 24-foot wide by 80-foot long concrete bridge over the Big Thompson River, replacing the existing 18-foot wide bridge.

COS No. 2 is the construction of a new 20-foot wide by 35-foot long concrete bridge over the Little Bitterroot River, replacing the existing 18-foot wide bridge. COS No. 3 is the construction of a new 28-foot wide by 35-foot long concrete bridge over Graves Creek on Blue Slide Road, replacing the existing 18-foot wide bridge. Accompanying the bridge replacements will be the necessary grading, guardrail, and riprap work.

The projects are not a major action and it is our opinion that the effects on the environment will be insignificant. Some traffic disruption will undoubtedly occur during the construction period, however, it will last for only a short time. The major impact of the projects will be to provide an improved roadway for local traffic. The projects should not significantly affect the air, noise or water quality of the area.

No acquisition of new right-of-way is anticipated.

We also hereby request location and design approval and your approval to waive the requirements for location and design approval notifications.

Very truly yours,

H. J. ANDERSON
DIRECTOR OF HIGHWAYS

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Attachment

cc: J. R. Beckert I Concur
R. E. Champion & Approve
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