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ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CHECKLIST

DS-252

PROPOSED ACTION R/W EASEMENT.

COUNTY PARK TOWNSHIP 2S RANGE 9E SECTION 13

*(Yes) (No) (NA)

- X _____ 1. Significant use of area by important wildlife and fish species
- _____ X _____ 2. Important vegetation communities present which may influence or be influenced by proposed project.
- _____ ? existing (P) _____ 3. Significant historical, archaeological, or paleontological resource present.
- X _____ 4. Significant topographic features, terrain or aesthetic values are present.
- _____ X _____ 5. Reconstruction of existing roads or trails or new road are proposed.
- X _____ 6. Important surface or groundwater resources present.
- _____ X _____ 7. Fragile, compactible, or unstable soils present.
- X _____ 8. Buildings, structures, pipelines, powerlines or other utilities located nearby.
- X _____ 9. Land has been included as a part of a baseline study or other type of report, for any purpose. (e.g. Natural Area Program, Resource Development Bureau projects, rights-of-way, easements or other leasing actions)
- _____ X _____ 10. Previously permitted or leased activities on this tract result in special protective stipulations.
- _____ X _____ 11. Present tract management is influenced significantly by adjacent state, federal or private land management practices.
- _____ X _____ 12. Tract is near designated Class I air area, or non-attainment area.
- _____ X _____ 13. Tract contains areas with unique or special reclamation considerations (past mining, erosion, saline seep, etc.).
- _____ _____ 14. Additional Comments: (If so, explain in attached narrative)

* Explain all "yes" answers in narrative form and attach to check list.

15. Public Interest: RESIDENTS OF LIVINGSTON

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Based on my review of the above action I have included that a EA is is not required
because: *Project is already completed and impacts should be minimal.* (Circle appropriate response.)

Area Manager/Bureau Chief J. The Date 5/12/92
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Comments to be Attached to Environmental Action Checklist
Sec. 13, T2S - R9E, Park County
R/W Easement for Water Main
February 23, 1990

Livingston Middle School is applying for a R/W Easement for the purpose of installing an 8" water main to connect a new school building to the city water supply. The easement is necessary because the main will cross what is known as the North Channel of the Yellowstone River, which is an abandoned navigable stream.

Item 1 - The channel does run water year round. As such it is probably or could be a fishery. Waterfowl were feeding in the channel in mid-February.

Item 3 - The easement area is and has been under water for many years. It is doubtful that any significant cultural site exists.

Item 4 - The channel is adjacent to homes, from which the project area is easily visible. The pipeline will be buried so the visual impact will be minimal. Disturbance to the banks should be smoothed and seeded to grass, Kentucky Bluegrass, Smooth Brome or any other species normally found along a stream bank would be suitable.

Item 6 - The channel runs water year round. A 310 permit must be applied for.

Item 8 - The site is at the end of "E" Street. There are houses next to the channel on both sides of the street.

Item 9 - There are studies on file for abandoned riverbeds, especially in this area.