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ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION CHECKLIST

PROPOSED ACTION R/W Easement - Fiber Optic Buried Cable

COUNTY Hill TOWNSHIP 33 N RANGE 12 E SECTION 35

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(*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.
	X		3. Significant historical, archaeological, or paleontological resource present.
	X		4. Significant topographic features, terrain or aesthetic values present.
	X		5. Reconstruction of existing roads or trails, or new road is 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 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 resulted 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 narrative)

15. Public Interest:

Prepared by: Craig E. Roberts Title: Area Mngr - NEZO

Based on my review of the above action, I have concluded that an EA is/~~is not~~ required because:

Area Manager/Bureau Chief Craig E. Roberts Date 2/6/92

*Explain all "yes" answers in narrative form.

Item 8 - MT Hwy 2 parallels the proposed Cable route to the South. State land involved in the R/W easement is classified agricultural