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To Whom It May Concern:

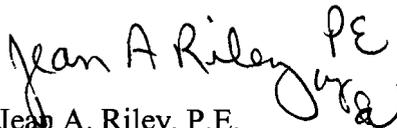
Subject: Cooperating Agency Environmental Documentation

As a Cooperating Agency under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.111 the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is providing you a copy of this project's environmental documentation.

This environmental documentation complies with the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(a) and (d) for categorically excluding this proposed project from further National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321, et seq.) documentation requirements. The attached also complies with the provisions of 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, MCA (see ARM 18.2.237 and 18.2.261, MEPA "Actions that qualify for a Categorical Exclusion" as applicable to the MDT).

If you have any questions concerning the attached environmental documentation please call the MDT Environmental Services Division at (406) 444-7228.

Sincerely,


Jean A. Riley, P.E.
Engineering Bureau Chief
Environmental Services Division

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Attachment

Environmental Services
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Helena, Montana 59620

Memorandum

To: David W. Jensen, Supervisor
Fiscal Programming Section

From: Thomas L. Hansen, P.E. 
Engineering Services Supervisor
Environmental Services Bureau

Date: April 7, 2005

Subject: Project No. STPHS 373-1(7)2
Project Name 2002 – Signal - Corvallis
Control No. 5361

Environmental Services has determined that this proposed project will not involve unusual circumstances as described under 23 CFR 771.117(b). It therefore qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), part (8). This proposed action also qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections **75-1-103** and **75-1-201, M.C.A.**).

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) letter of March 29, 1999, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(c).

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