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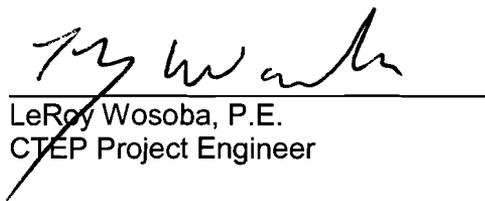
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Subject: Project No.: STPE 51(38)  
Project Name: Depot Preservation Ph II-Kevin  
Control No.: 5778

Attached is one (1) copy of the Categorical Exclusion group (d) environmental document for this proposed project as approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

This document also complies with the provisions of **75-1-103** and **75-1-201 M.C.A.** (see ARM 18.2.261, MEPA "Actions that qualify for a Categorical Exclusion" as applicable to the Montana Department of Transportation).



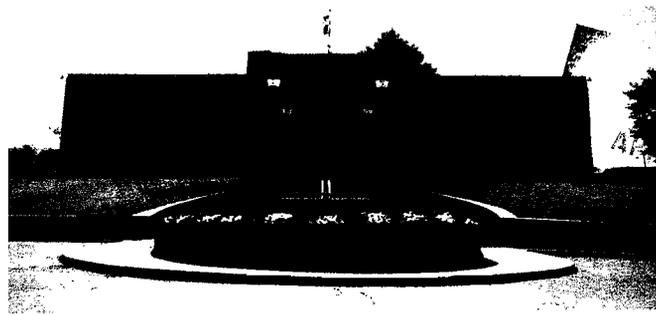
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Attachment

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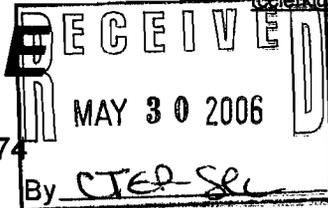
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May 24, 2006

Janice W. Brown, Division Administrator  
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)  
585 Shepard Way  
Helena, MT 59602

Subject: Categorical Exclusion Group (d) Action Letter

Federal-aid Project Number: STPE 51(38)  
Federal-aid Project Name: Depot Preservation Ph II-Kevin  
MDT Control Number: 5778

This is a request for the FHWA's concurrence that this proposed project meets the criteria for classification as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d). 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 MCA**). A project location map is attached.

This proposed project is to repair and replace 15 windows and construct an ADA compliant ramp to the Kevin Depot Center. The project will also paint exterior surfaces and seal the existing wood shingles. The project also will include interior improvements consisting of remodeling an existing restroom to provide a unisex ADA compliant restroom and the installation of a new heating and air conditioning system and insulation.

The location of this proposed project is located at the Kevin Depot, southwest of the intersection of Central Ave and First Street West, in Kevin, Montana.

The intent of this proposed project is to improve the usability of the structure for all users. The Kevin Depot Center is utilized as a Community/Senior Center for the community of Kevin. Senior meals are served 5 days a week. The Kevin Depot Center is used as a polling site. The facility is also available for use by private groups at other times. The project will improve the overall appearance of the structure by repair and replacement of the existing windows and painting the exterior surfaces. A deteriorating sliding glass door will be replaced with a historically accurate wood framed door. Access for all individuals will be provided through the addition of an ADA accessible ramp, parking space, and entrance and the renovation of a restroom to meet ADA standards. Finally the structure will be more usable with the ability to control the temperature with the repair and replacement of the windows, the addition of insulation in the ceiling, and a modern efficient furnace and air conditioning system.

This proposed project has been evaluated for, and does not have any adverse effect on the following environmental areas of concern:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stormwater Runoff               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Noise                         |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Changes in Land Use             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetlands(E.O. 11990)          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USDOT - 4(f)/NL&WCF - 6(f) Acts |   |

The proposed project will have a minor effect on the following environmental area(s):

Historic/Cultural Resources - The Kevin Depot was listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) in August, 1980. A Section 106 Determination of Effect has resulted in a finding of "No Adverse Effect," which has been reviewed and concurred with by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) on May 22, 2006. SHPO concurrence was stamped onto a copy of project plans. A photo copy of the stamp is attached.

Americans with Disabilities Act – An ADA compliant ramp, entrance, and parking space will be installed and an existing restroom will be remodeled in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (PL 101-336).

Public Involvement – This proposal has been in the planning stages for sometime. We have discussed it with Kevin Development Board of Directors, Kevin/Sunburst Senior Center Board, Shelby Senior Center Board, Toole County Council on Aging, Toole County Department Head Meeting, Shelby Chamber of Commerce meeting, Marias Medical Center Board, and with several individuals within our county. It has also been approved at our Toole County Commissioners meeting. I have discussed this several times on my biweekly radio report on KSEN Radio, which covers our whole county. During these meetings we have had excellent support for this project from the public.

This project will not induce significant land use changes or promote unplanned growth. There will be no significant affects on access to adjacent properties or present traffic patterns. This project will not create disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations (E.O. 12898) and complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 USC 2000d). In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will neither individually nor cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts. Therefore, we are requesting FHWA's concurrence that this proposed project is properly classified as Categorical Exclusion.

*Allan Underdal*

Signature of Environmental Certifying Official  
or Chief Elected Official

*Allan Underdal*  
*Toole County Commissioner*

Type Name and Title

Concur *Mike Wherley*  
Michael Wherley, P.E.  
CTEP Engineer  
Consultant Design Bureau

*MAY 30, 2006*  
Date

Janice W. Brown

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Federal Highway Administration

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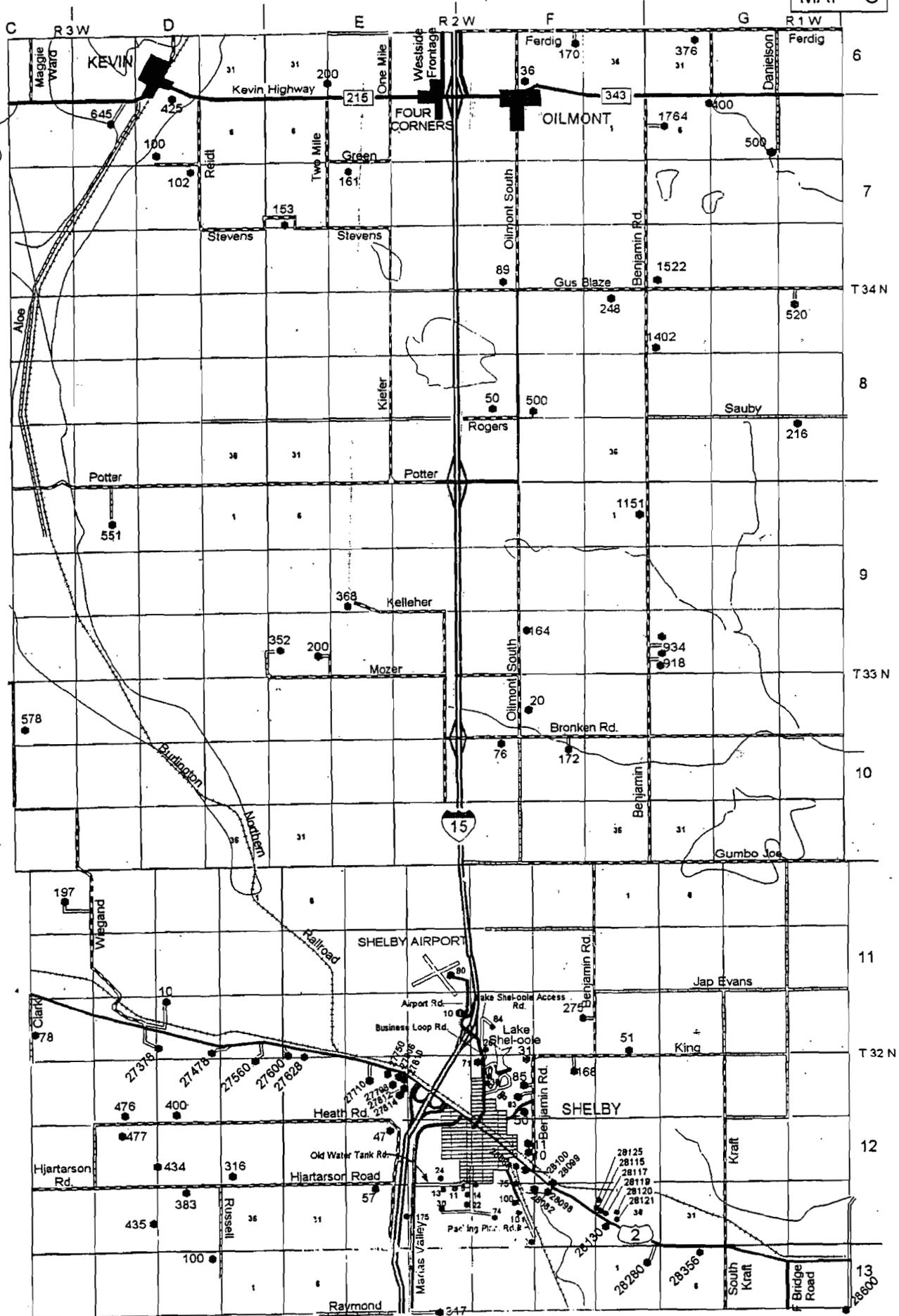
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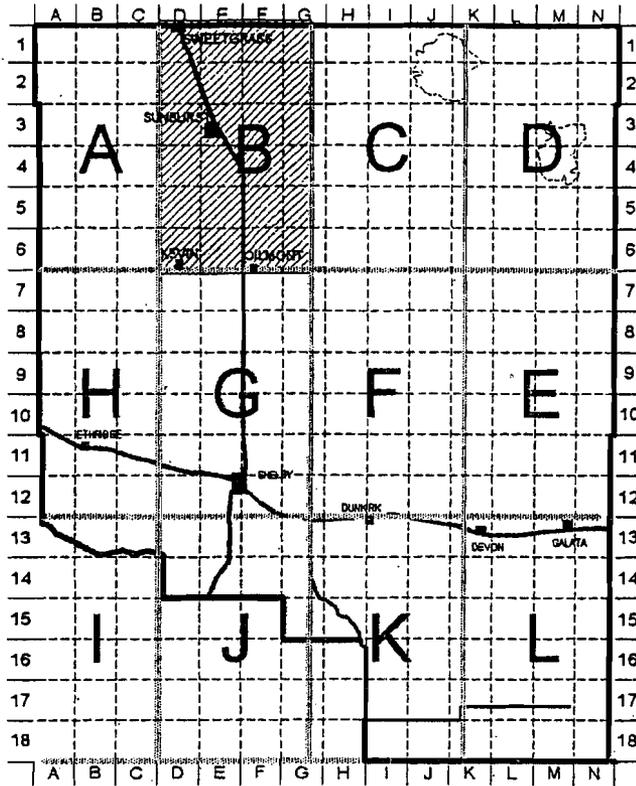
Attachment: Project Location Map  
SHPO Concurrence

cc: Michael P. Johnson, MDT, District Administrator – Great Falls  
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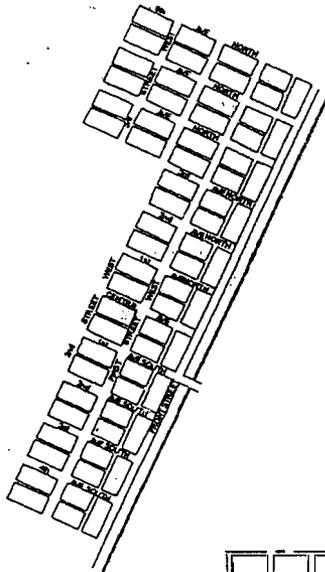
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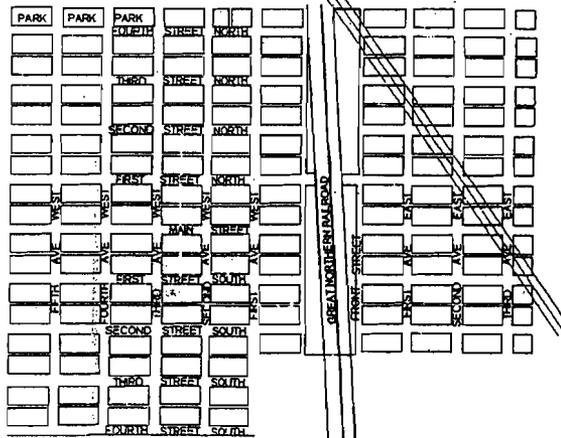
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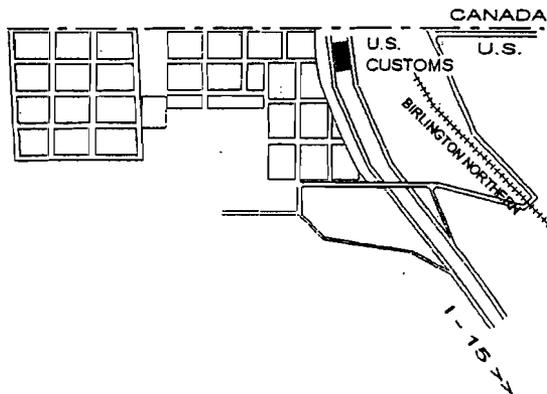
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**SUNBURST**



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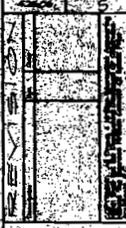




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MONTANA SHPO**

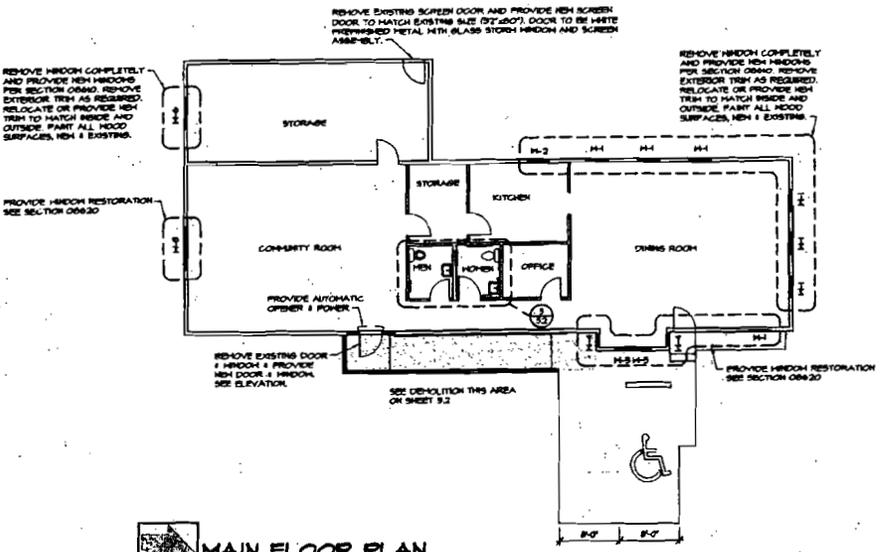
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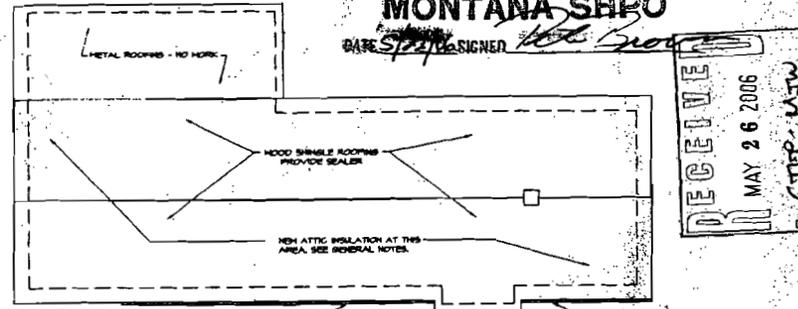


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STEP 51 (38)  
KEVIN, MONTANA

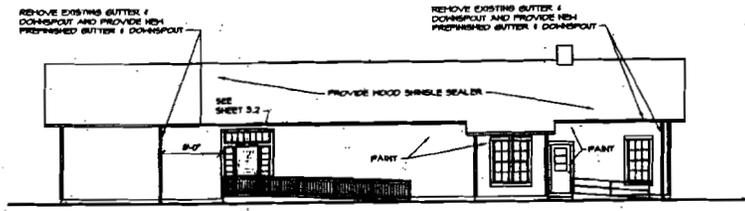
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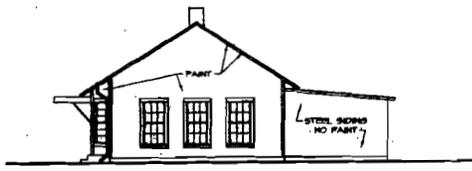
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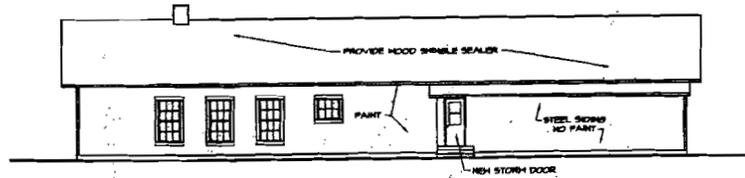
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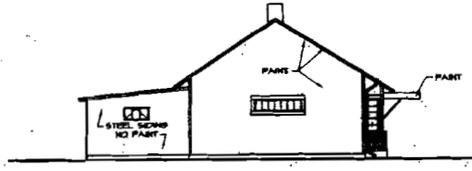
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**NORTH ELEVATION**  
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**WEST ELEVATION**  
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**SOUTH ELEVATION**  
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**NOTES**

1. CONTRACTOR TO CLEAN ALL EXTERIOR SIDING AND SOFFITS COMPLETELY PRIOR TO ANY NEW PAINT BEING APPLIED.
2. SCAFFOLD AND PRIME ALL SURFACES REQUIRING REPAIR. REMOVE AND REPLACE ANY ROTTED HOOD.
3. PAINT ALL EXTERIOR SURFACES PREVIOUSLY PAINTED INCLUDING PASCIA & SOFFIT. FIELD TO BE ONE COLOR AND TRIM TO BE ONE COLOR. PRIME, PRIME & PAINT EXTERIOR GUTTERS & DOWNSPOUTS.
4. EXISTING SIDING IS 6" SHINGLE.
5. HHOOD NOTES:
  - INTERIOR TRIM TO REMAIN
  - EXTERIOR TRIM TO REMAIN - REMOVE & REPLACE DAMAGED OR ROTTED
  - REMOVE BLADES AND HARDWARE, RETAIN & REINSTALL
6. NEW ATTIC INSULATION IN AREA DEMONSTRATED ON ROOF PLAN. PROVIDE 6" OF FLOTH PRO-BLASS OVER ENTIRE AREA.