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STPS 282-1(3)0
Intersection Impv - Montana City
CN 4472

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Environmental Services has reviewed the above proposed project's impacts and has determined that this proposed project still qualifies as a CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.129(c). The original categorical exclusion was signed 2/10/03 and is attached. This proposed action also continues to qualify as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.). This determination is based on the following:

The Scope-of-Work approval (5/8/06) for the proposed project has been reviewed and a few changes have been made. The changes include finalizing the decision to install a roundabout, dropping the pedestrian underpass, and the addition of a pedestrian path. The added path will be located on the south side of the west leg, extending from the intersection of Jefferson Hills Drive to the east edge of the north approach of the Montana City Store; thereby connecting the north end of Jefferson Tracts Subdivision to the roundabout intersection and existing paths.

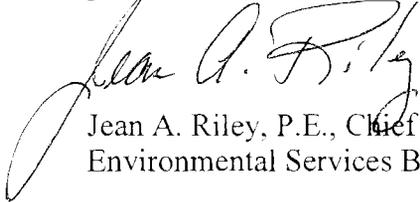
As a result of these changes, we have updated the biological/cultural/hazardous waste etc. reports and found that in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will neither individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts. The minor alignment modifications and/or adjustments in the typical section result in only minor impacts that will be handled through our permitting process with the regulatory agencies.

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) concurrence letter of April 15, 1999, this notification documents that this proposed action is still properly classified as a CE under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d).

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