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Subject: **Categorical Exclusion Group (c) Action Letter**

Reference: Federal-aid Project Number: STPE 1099 (77)
Federal-aid Project Name: Broadwater Trail Connection
MDT Uniform Project Number: 7545

This is a request for the Montana Department of Transportation concurrence that the proposed project study will not involve unusual circumstances as described in 23 CFR 771.117(b). It therefore qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), parts 3 & 7. The proposed action also qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (MCA Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201).

In accordance with FHWA's letter (3/29/99) to MDT's Environmental Services, please notify FHWA that the proposed action is being processed in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(c).

Signature of Environmental Certifying Official or Chief Elected Official

Lora Mattox, Transportation Planner
Type Name and Title

Concur:

CTEP Engineer

3/21/12

Date

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