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Memorandum

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Subject: Categorical Exclusion
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Environmental Services has reviewed the proposed project and concludes that it will not involve unusual circumstances as described under 23 CFR 771.117(b). As a result, the project qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(c), part (8) which describes installation of fencing, sign, pavement markings, small passenger shelters, traffic signals, and railroad warning devices where no substantial land acquisition or traffic disruption will occur. The proposed project is to install a pedestrian activated rapid flashing beacon system at the intersection of Highway 93 South and Adams Street in Lakeside, MT. The pedestrian activated rapid flashing beacons will be installed at the location of the existing crosswalk signs to enhance the visibility of the crosswalk and indicate when a pedestrian is present. The signs will remain, and the overhead flashing beacon will be removed. In addition, the existing overhead lighting will be perpetuated. Attached is a location map. 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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Project location in Lakeside, MT

